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LOCAL NEWS.

THERE have been 5,493 burials in Greenwood cemetery since 1857.

THE new I. O. O. F. hall at Argenta will be ready for occupancy March 10.

ROBBERS at Mahomet broke into the postoffice and stole $15 in cash and 100 cigars.

ON Sunday William Lake took up two 2 year old colts, a bay mare and a bay horse.

THERE are 31 prisoners in the county jail. The list keeps up pretty well winter and summer.

IN the county court Joseph S. Berry has been appointed administrator of the estate of the estate of the late Mrs. Iris Hubert.

THE Wabash earnings for the second week of February amounted to $213,267, showing an increase of $18,313 over the corresponding week of last year.

GEORGE STADIER, sr., aged 75 years, father of George A. Stadier, of this city, died on Saturday at Fairmount, in Vermilion county. Mr. S. and wife are at Fairmount to attend the funeral.

NO FURTHER CUTS.

The Illinois Lines Will Not Follow the Lead of the Wabash and Central.

At the meeting of Illinois lines held in Chicago yesterday it was decided to ignore the cuts in rates recently made by the Wabash and Illinois Central to points in Southern Illinois. The sense of the meeting was that the rates ordered into effect about a year ago by the Illinois Railroad and Warehouse commissioners were too low, and that to voluntarily reduce them would be suicide. The points covered by the Illinois Central and Wabash cuts were held not to be competitive and, therefore, the cuts furnished no grounds for making further reductions.

Taylorville's Social Swim.

According to a dispatch from Pana, William Shannon, a wealthy stock dealer and prominent citizen of Taylorville, and Mrs. Mary Jane Colegrove have created a great sensation by eloping and marrying. The bride was divorced in December from her first husband and was married three weeks later to James Colegrove, a mere boy. They lived together for two days, when the father of young Colegrove persuaded his son to procure a divorce, which was agreed to by the woman for a stipulated sum. The second divorce was granted at the same term of court at which she secured the first one. Shannon was prevented from marrying the woman, after the divorce from Colegrove was secured, by his brothers and sisters. The woman has a damage suit for $20,000 pending against the Shannons.

Taylorville is evidently bound to make Chicago green with envy.

Decatur Circuit.

Long Creek Church—Sabbath 9:30 a. m., Sabbath school; 10:30 a. m., preaching by Rev. W. E. Knight; 6:30 p. m., devotional service of the Epworth League.

Mt. Zion Church—Sabbath 9:30 a. m., Sabbath school; 3 p. m., preaching by Rev. W. E. Knight.

Macon Church—Sabbath 9:45 a. m., Sabbath school.

Blue Mound Chapel—Wednesday 7 p. m., prayer service; Sabbath 10 a. m., Sabbath school; 7 p. m., devotional service of the Epworth League.

The pastor will hold the quarterly meeting at Assumption on Sabbath and hence his pulpit will be filled by Rev. Knight. A. M. DANELY, Pastor.

List of Patents

Granted to Illinois inventors this week. Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of American and Foreign Patents, opposite U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.:

J. P. Belden, Hinsdale, bake pan; E. E. Chapman, Sterling, corn snapper and husker-shredder; W. F. Fuchs, Gilman, cigar box; G. Lecompte, Aurora, automatic car and air brake coupling; A. Minnich, Kankakee, desk; P. H. Murphy, East St. Louis, car roof; G. W. Packer, Rock Falls, hay loader; J. F. Pohl, Freeburg, sash fastener; J. F. Stewart, Plano, harvesting machine; B. F. Stewart, Plano, harvester reel; P. N. Swanson, Galva, folding gambrel; H. M. O. Poole, Mattoon, dipper.

To Physicians in Regular Practice

will be sent free by mail a sample bottle of Dr. Edson's Aseptolin, the newly discovered treatment for consumption, etc., together with Dr. Edson's paper, reprinted from the New York Medical Record of Feb. 8, 1896. Those who have patients suffering from consumption are urged to test this remedy. None but physicians can use it. Address Equitable Chemical Co., 30 Reade street, New York.

SORETINE, healing consoling, DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the enemy of sores, wounds and piles, which it never fails to cure. Stops itching and burning. Cures chapped lips and cold sores in two or three hours. West's Drug Store.

THE Illinois Central railway and a number of private parties are organizing to fight the recent paving ordinance at Kankakee.

NOT GUILTY.

Verdict in the $5000 Damage Case Against the City.

CLEMENT BATES GETS NO MONEY.

The Cochran-Tait Dish Washing Machine Litigation On Trial by Court—Moses Randolph Free.

From Monday's Daily.

In the circuit court to-day Judge Vail opened the sealed verdict in the $5000 damage case of Clement F. Bates vs. The City of Decatur, which was reached by the jury at 11 o'clock Saturday night. The verdict was that the defendant was not guilty, and so Bates will not get a penny for alleged injuries received by falling into a trench near the High School building.

Moses Randolph, who has been in the county jail for several months for making an alleged assault to do bodily injury, obtained his liberty by order of the court on the motion that he be discharged as a pauper.

Judge Vail is now hearing the evidence in the case of Mrs. Josephine Cochran, of Shelbyville vs. Felix B. Tait of Decatur. This trial grows out of a disagreement in the matter of the manufacture of a dish washing machine, of which the lady is the inventor. Only two were sold within a year and 400 machines were to be made. The attorneys for Mr. Tait are Brown & Park and Attorney Chaffee, of Shelbyville and Attorney W. C. Johns of Decatur appear for Mrs. Cochran.

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Mary C. Shepherd vs. John A. Swearingen et al; dower. Exceptions to master overruled, and report approved. Decree for dower.

Margaret A. Smith vs. Thos. Lewis et al; partition. Dismissed as per stipulation on file.

A. T. Risley vs. Hiram Crockett et al; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso as to defendants not answering and referred to master.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

Joseph G. Cochran vs. F. B. Tait; covenant. Jury waived and trial by court by agreement.

Clement F. Bates vs. City of Decatur; trespass. Trial by jury. Verdict, defendant not guilty.

PEOPLE'S DOCKET.

The People vs. Moses Randolph; assault with a deadly weapon. Motion by defendant to be discharged as a poor person allowed and defendant discharged.

The Dish-Washing Machine Matter a Knotty Affair—Testimony.

The case of Mrs. Josephine Cochrane vs. F. B. Tait is still engaging the attention of Judge Vail in the circuit court. Mrs. Cochrane is the Shelbyville lady who invented the machine and came here in 1893, making arrangements with Mr. Tait by which he was to manufacture the machines to the number of 400, and keep at least six persons out on the road to effect sales of the machines. Mrs. Cochrane in her evidence testified that she had personally made contracts for these machines—one at the Tremont House, another at the Palmer House and another to the W. C. T. U., all in Chicago, and that a Mr. Wright made a contract for another at a Chicago restaurant. Another machine was placed in Indiana, but it appears that of the 400 machines agreed to be made only two were manufactured, and neither, it is alleged, proved satisfactory.

The defense claim that it was extremely difficult to push the machines, because they would not do the work claimed by the inventor. The whole in controversy is considerably complicated, and the lawyers and judges are kept busy keeping the points in line with the law.

News of Pana.

Pana was awarded the fifth annual picnic of the Modern Woodmen of central and southern Illinois, at a meeting held at Litchfield Friday for that purpose. The picnic will be held on the 6th day of next August. Centralia, Mount Olive, Litchfield, Hillsboro, Raymond, Girard and Vandalia competed for it.

The gold discovered on the Baker farm, south of Pana, a few days ago, turns out to be a "yellowish mica, containing nothing of value," so pronounced by Prof. A. W. Palmer, of the chemical laboratory of the Champaign University.

Gone On to Arizona.

Jesse Sharp, his two sisters and two brothers, arrived in Decatur to-day from Mt. Auburn on their way to Casna Grand, Arizona. They bought through tickets from Agent Peniwell, and will go south on the Illinois Central railroad on their long journey.

Came to His Death by a Fall.

Aaron Gingrich, whose body is now at the home of F. O. Damrow on West Prairie avenue, came to his death at Bentonville, Ark., as the result of injuries received by a fall off a building at his home.

Births.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Wood, in Whitmore township, on Saturday, February 15—twin daughters.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brooks, of 1430 North Church street, February 17—a son.

Wedding Cards Out.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Taylor have issued cards for the marriage of their daughter, Laura, to Henry Hull, on Thursday, Feb. 27, at their home, near Boody. About 100 invitations have been sent out.

Broke Her Nose.

This morning Miss Lizzie Weckline at her home in Harristown broke her nose by a fall. She was brought to this city and Dr. Catto set the broken bones.

GEORGETOWN is to have a new paper. Mr. Charles Crayton, of Potomac, will bring the new journal out next week.

MRS. SHEPHERD'S DOWER.

J. R. Gorin, John R. Miller and G. V. Loring Appointed to Fix the Amount.

And now it is the order of Judge Vail in the circuit court that Mrs. Mary C. Shepherd is entitled to dower interest in certain lots in P. B. Shepherd's addition to Decatur, comprising territory lying east of Pine street, north of West Main, west of Monroe and south of William street. About a year ago Mrs. Shepherd through her attorneys, Webber & Shelley, began proceedings to establish her claim against John A. Swearingen, John Quinlan, Nellie Finley, Thomas McKay, Margaret Ward and Augustus Harpstrite, and after hearing the objections, the court has finally decided that Mrs. Shepherd is justly entitled to the dower, as it does not appear that she did at any time in her life sign any paper giving away her interest or right to the particular property in question. Years ago the lots were sold by Shepherd and by the sheriff for a small sum, several of the lots going at $150 to $200. Mrs. Shepherd did not join in the deeds.

In the circuit court to-day Judge Vail appointed J. R. Gorin, John R. Miller and George V. Loring as commissioners to fix the amount of the dower Mrs. Shepherd shall receive during the remainder of her life. Her interest dates from the time she began suit, which was nearly two years ago. The amount will probably be fixed on the fair cash rental value of the lots in their present improved condition. Vacant lots out that way have sold as high as $2500. The report of the commissioners in this particular case will be read with special interest.

Mrs. Shepherd is now past 71 years of age. On the finding of the court the present owners of the lots will have to pay the dower interest annually so long as Mrs. Shepherd is among the living. Possibly they may effect a settlement with her, or go back and cause those who gave warranty deeds to make the guarantee of clear title good.

SULLIVAN FATE.

A Former Resident of That Place Commits Suicide.

At Indianapolis, Ind., yesterday afternoon Deputy County Prosecutor Charles S. Naxworthy, 25, committed suicide by shooting himself. He had been given until noon to file his report in court as receiver for the American Lounge company. He was an embezzler for about $1,000, and when he left court went directly to his room at the residence of Dr. T. M. Rowe, No. 124 North Meridian street, and took his life. Naxworthy was born in Sullivan, Ill., graduated at De Pauw university, and afterwards at the Chicago Law school. He came to Indianapolis from Chicago in 1893. He left a note to notify Kitty Eggler, of Sullivan, Ill., of his death.

Al. Morgan for Collector.

In compliance with the wishes of his many friends, and because he wants the office, Al. S. Morgan has decined to become a candidate once more for the office of township collector, subject to the decision of the Republican convention. Al has served the people faithfully and efficiently for two terms, and would be pleased to have his friends aid him in his effort to secure a renomination. He has made one of the best collectors the township has ever had, and has ever been active in all honorable ways to aid the party organization in winning success at the polls.

Insane Case.

In the county court to day C. S. Jones filed a petition asking that an inquisition be held to determine the mental condition of his brother, Alvin Jones, of Friends Creek township. Dr. Pettingill of Cisco, L. E. Kirster, L. A. Melvin and John Hinson, were the witnesses. The commissioners in the case were Drs. M. D. Pollock and O. R. Allen, who returned a report stating that Jones is a homicidal epileptic. He will be taken to Kankakee.

Will Farm in Iowa.

Henry C. Ferrell and family have gone to Storm Lake, Iowa, near which point they will reside on a farm. Mr. Ferrell has lived on a small place near Bearsdale for a long term of years, and goes west, where he can get a larger place for his children. He has not sold the Bearsdale farm. He has leased it, but eventually it will probably be sold. Quite a number of farmers are going to Iowa and other points this month.

Went to Sullivan.

Among those who went to Sullivan this morning to attend the district lodge of Good Templars were L. C. Peck and Miss Ritchie, of Warrensburg; Miss Anna Bixler, Miss Maud Benton, Miss Anna Stoll and Ed Gurtman, of Forsythe; Miss Myrtle Mills, Miss Lucy Johnson, Miss Orpha Troutman, Miss Ida Miller, Will Yantis, Miss Nell Dixon, Miss Nettie Gaddis and A. F. Smith, of Decatur.

Arrested.

Charles Flint at Bethany has been arrested for selling whisky without license. He was taken to Springfield last evening to answer an indictment in the United States District Court.

Bill of Sale.

Thomas F. Talbott has made a bill of sale for a stock of druge and other goods at Niantic to Charles E. Tandy; consideration $2600.

Taken to Chester.

W. F. Towne was taken to the Chester penitentiary to-day by Sheriff Nicholson.

CONTRACT CONTEST.

Action of M. B. Camp Against Geo. Elliott Involving Damages.

THE DISH WASHING MACHINE CASE.

Arguments to be Heard Next Saturday by Judge Vail—Farm Sale Case to Come Up for Settlement.

Further evidence in the Cochrane-Tait dish washing machine case was heard in the circuit court by Judge Vail this forenoon. When all the testimony is submitted the hearing of the arguments by opposing counsel will be deferred until Saturday. F. B. Tait was on the stand to-day giving his side of the case.

It is expected that the branch of contract case of M. B. Camp vs. George Elliott will come up for trial. This is a case wherein George Elliott, who owns a fine farm of 357 acres in Harristown township entered into a written agreement to sell the place for $28,000 to Mr. Camp, but when the time came to execute the deed Mr. Elliott could not or would not produce it, and the sale fell through. It is stated that the chief reason Mr. Elliott did not fulfill his contract was that his wife would not join in the deed. Other reasons are also given. Mr. Camp comes into court asking damages, which will probably be fixed on the extent of his loss and the increased value of the land, if any, from the time the agreement of sale was made up to the present. This case promises to be one of unusual interest and will be closely watched by all owners of property.

A CLUB AT OREANA.

All the Republican Voters in Whitmore for McKinley.

The other day George W. Betzer felt the pulse of the Republicans of Whitmore township on the question of presidential preference, and in a short time he got the names of 75 voters on paper, pledging their support for the Ohio statesman, Hon. William McKinley. Wherever he went he found the Republicans in favor of McKinley. It was all one way, even a number of Democrats expressing themselves in favor of the general choice. In a short time Oreana will have a McKinley club, and other towns and townships in the county will fall in line.

Chattel Property Auction Sale.

Saturday afternoon at the court house Constable Conard was in charge of a combination auction sale of personal property taken on chattel mortgages as follows: Oliver L. Cooper to John Allen, Oliver L. Cooper to E. L. Pegram, W. H. McKown to Lucinda Ward, John Stickel to Thomas Jones, Thomas Stickel to Charles Ward, William Johnson to Nelson Morris & Co., and Nate Deal to Chares Watkins. The goods sold included horses, catile, farm implements, wagons and carriages, harness, etc. The sum claimed under the mortgages amounted to a total of $716 and the amount realized from the sale was $720.20. Constable Conard says it is the first sale he ever held in which the amount realized was equal to the amount of the claims. Some of the live stock was in first class condition and brought good prices. Two horses brought $50 and $49, being bid in by horse dealers. The horses averaged over $33.

Funeral of Aaron Gingrich.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The funeral of the late Aaron Gingrich, who died last Saturday at Bentonville, Ark., was held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of his brother in-law, F. O. Damrow, No. 632 West Prairie avenue. The services were conducted by Rev. W. C. Miller of the Congregational church. The members of Dunham Post No. 141, G. A. R., and the Sons of Veterans attended the funeral in a body and escorted the remains to Greenwood cemetery where the burial took place. The pallbearers were W. H. Tincher, S. W. Moore, W. Larrick, J. W. Redmon, H. Muhannah and Daniel Moore.

They Are True.

The many stories going around about the number of cures Drs. Appleman & Prettyman, the specialists have made the past three years in this locality are no doubt true. Those who had suffered for years from some chronic nervous or catarrhal trouble found relief at their hands should not be slow in telling their friends and neighbors. It is only just that they should give praise to whom praise is due, thereby benefitting a fellow sufferer as well as helping the doctors who restored them to vigor, health and happiness.

A Lady Bank Cashier.

Urbana has a young lady who has attained the position of cashier of the First National bank. Her name is Miss Minnie Webber, and she is not only an export accountant but handsome. She entered the bank as book-keeper November 6, 1886, and was elected assistant cashier January 12, 1892. January 1 of this year the cashier resigned to go to Denia, Spain, as consul, and Miss Webber was elected to succeed him.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup

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THE BRADEN ESTATE

Will Filed for Probate in the County Court.

JOHN E. BRADEN NAMED AS EXECUTOR

Property Valued at Over $25,000 Left to the Widow During Her Life Time—Then to be Sold and Divided.

In the county court this afternoon was filed the last will of the late John Young Braden, who left a finely improved farmer of 200 acres, the estate being valued at over $25,000.

To the wife of the deceased, Laura A. Braden, is bequeathed all real estate and personal property, including money on hand, notes and accounts, to have and to hold during the period of her natural life, subject to payment of funeral expenses and debts.

At the death of the widow it is directed that all of the property of which she may be possessed shall be sold and the proceeds divided as follows:

One-eighth equally between the children of Sidney R. Braden, deceased, and a daughter, Azina P. Nichols, deceased. The remaining seven-eighths of the estate to be equally divided between John E. Braden, Jerome O. Braden, Thomas J. Braden, George A. Braden, Flora A. Bear and Cora A. Dilleihunt.

A son, John E. Braden, is named as executor of the will, and if he thinks best for the interest of all the heirs, the sale of the property after the death of Mrs. Braden, the widow, may be delayed not longer than two years.

The will was drawn up May 30, 1888, and was witnessed by J. R. Hays and I. A. Buckingham.

THE CITY MARKETS.

Prices are Firm and There Has Been Little Change.

There has been practically no change in the prices of grain in the past week. The local quotations are as follows: Wheat 65c, white corn 24, mixed corn 23, white oats 17, mixed oats 16, rye 30.

With the exception of the price of hogs, which has gone down to $3.60 and $3.90, the live stock markets have remained unchanged in the past week. The following are the prices paid: Cows and heifers, $2.50 to $3.00; steers, $3 to $3.50; sheep, $3; calves, $3.50 to $4.

Eggs are plentiful and bring 11 cents per dozen when sold to the shipper. Not much poultry is offered in the market by the farmers. Max Atlas quotes the following prices: Hens, 6c per pound; springs, 6½c; stags, 4c; roosters, 3c; hen turkeys, 10c; gobblers, 9c; ducks, 7c; geese, 5c.

Green hides bring 5c per pound; tallow, 3c.

More Enterprise.

Gus Ahrens will put in an *Extract Manufacturing Department* in his new factory and he is now in Chicago to purchase appliances for the same. Gus has an immense family trade for his line of goods and it is his intention to furnish this valuable trade with the same Pure Extracts that he uses in his excellent summer beverages. All these Extracts are made from the Fresh Fruit and will be in great demand. He has notified all bottlers within a radius of 100 miles of this move, and has received much correspondence very gratifying to himself. All persons interested in pure extracts should make a note of this.

Macon County Teachers' Meeting.

This will be the program for the teachers' meeting to be held at Superintendent Keller's office at the court house on Saturday, Feb. 29:

Song.
"Current Events in School"—Mabel Thrift, Charles Stark and others.
"Teacher's Outing"—J. F. Wicks.
"Association as Applied to Teaching"—W. E. Hedges.
Review of Grammar"—C. J. Fisher.
Song.

Dr. Krohn, of the University of Illinois, will lecture to the teachers of the country and city at 10:30 a. m. at the High School Feb. 29, 1896. Hear him.

Proud of His Dog.

M. W. Stoddard is rapidly completing preparations for his journey overland through the south and west. He will start April 1st and will be gone six to eight weeks. He has secured a registered bull terrier from Chicago, and is now putting it in training. M. W. will make the journey for the benefit of his health. He will go as far west as Colorado.

Illinois County Conventions.

Republican county conventions will be held in Illinois as follows: McHenry county, March 27, at Woodstock; Champaign, April 9, at Champaign; Shelby April 16, at Shelbyville; White, March 4, at Carmi; Sangamon, March 2, at Springfield; Johnson, Feb. 25, at Vienna; Peoria March 3, at Peoria; and Jersey, Feb. 29, at Jerseyville.

Roby a Delegate.

Attorney Frank C. Roby, a resident of the First congressional district of Chicago, has been elected a delegate to the Republican national convention. Attorney Roby is a son of President R. H. Roby, of the National bank of Decatur, and has been quite active in politics since locating in Chicago.

REV. G. N. BALLENGER, pastor of the Tremont Baptist church, who recently resigned his charge there, has reconsidered his action and will remain.

DEATH OF AARON GINGRICH.

Dropped Dead in Arkansas—Body Now in Decatur—The Funeral.

At a late hour Saturday night a telegram reached the city stating that Aaron Gingrich had dropped dead at his home at Bentonville, Ark., and that the body would be sent to Decatur. The remains arrived in the city at noon today and were taken to the residence of Major and Mrs. F. O. Damrow, 632 West Prairie avenue, where the funeral will be held at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, February 19. The burial will be with the honors of war, in charge of Dunham Post, 141, Grand Army of the Republic.

The deceased leaves a widow and four children, three sons and one daughter. Two sons, Jesse Gingrich and Frank Gingrich, reside in Decatur. He was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Damrow. Previous to 1881 Mr. Gingrich resided on a farm east of Decatur a few miles. He went to Bentonville, Ark., for the benefit of his health. He purchased a big farm near Bentonville but did not give the management his personal attention. He was a veteran of the late war, having served in Company G, 9th Pennsylvania Cavalry. He was a member of Burnside Post, No. 1, Bentonville, Ark. Many old veterans and citizens remember the deceased quite well, and know him to have been an honorable, upright citizen.

GOT HER MONEY BACK.

A Latham Lady Loses Her Pocket Book on a Trolley Car.

It is forenoon a lady from Latham, whose name could not be learned, arrived in the city on the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville train and immediately got aboard electric car No. 23 to come up town to do some shopping. The lady had hurried into the car and took her seat. The car moved a distance of a block, when the lady suddenly discovered that she had either lost her pocket book or it had been stolen. She stated that the purse contained something over $10.

Just before the car started from the depot, Peter Brilley, the conductor and collector, found a purse on the car step, and when he heard of the lady's loss, he promptly handed her the missing book, which had been acurately described by the owner.

The lady was very much pleased to get her money back. She had thought it was gone for good. Mr. Brilley received the grateful thanks of the woman.

More Petit Jurymen.

The following have been drawn as petit jurymen to serve in the circuit court, all to report February 24:

Jerome Smallwood, J. C. Hendricks, Henry Diller, Robert Knowles, J. H. Grubisch, J. W. Smith, J. Sherman McClelland, John Gordy, R. Cobe, J. N. Falimer, W. B. Burke, John Pride, E. Grindel, A. Metram, C. D. Hall, all of Decatur.

Friends' Creek—R. E. Nelson.
Illini—J. P. Lebo and E. W. Allen.
Harristown—James Leonard and C. R. Scroggins.
Macon—C. A. Cook.
Long Creek—G. W. Carmean.
Pleasant View—C. G. Hinton.
Mason—R. J. Long, Sam McCann, J. P. Thrift, Dick Parlier, T. B. Gardener, W. H. Yaman.
Mt. Zion—L. C. Downey.
Niantic—Emery Hullinger.
Hickory Point—L. L. Hooker.
Blue Mound—M. F. Cloney and J. M. McVey.
Wheatland—Robert Turner and Lewis Neighhouse.

The Don Risley Attachments.

A number of attachments were issued Saturday against certain property which Don Risley had disposed of before he left for Midway Heights, Texas. The attachments were in favor of J. Millikin & Co., bankers, for $1600, personal notes and overdrawn account. The attachments were served by Deputy Sheriff Holmes on these lots: Lot 3, block 1, Hunter Bros.' addition; lot 1, block 1, H. A. Wood's second addition; lot 1, Laughlin's addition; lots 1, 2, 3 and 13, block 1, H. A. Wood's addition of outlots; lot 5, D. F. Shelley's addition; lot 2 and 38 feet off the north side of lot 3, block 2, H. Johnson's subdivision of lots 12, 13, 14 and 15, block 2, Kanan's addition. The property is worth about $8,000.

Marriage Licenses.

D. D. Troutman, Harristown	22
Ida I. Hollingsworth, Decatur	17
John C. Crossan, Decatur	25
Nettie J. Doyle, Decatur	17
Eliade Cook, LeRoy	23
Alta M. Harner, Sangamon	21
George A. Robinson, Decatur	22
Mrs. Lizzie M. Veach, Decatur	29
Hiram T. Adcock, Macon	26
Katy Boley, Macon	27
Carle E. Banta, Greenwood, Ind	25
Mary E. Allison, Macon	23
John B Mellman, Illiopolis	35
Mrs. Gussie Bilinski, Harristown	27

Sales of Real Estate.

John A. Brown to Union Iron Works, lot 11, block 8, Prather, Martin & Gatling's addition; $2,000.

Henry Schoolcraft to A. Heminger, south half of 80 feet off the east side of lot 3, block 3, in resurvey of 4th Rolling Mill addition; $2,500.

W. Z. Walmsley to Eva M. Behnke, lot 5 in block 4 of Carver's addition; $1,450.

A. D. Risley to B. F. Boyse, lot 4 in block 1 of Wood's addition; $1,800.

CHURCH GONE.

Methodist House of Worship at Emery Burned to the Ground.

LOSS, $1000; INSURANCE, $1500.

The Edifice Destroyed in the Night—Nobody Knew It Until This Morning.

The handsome Methodist church one quarter of a mile west of Emery was totally destroyed by fire at two o'clock this morning. The edifice was almost burned to the ground before anybody discovered the fire, and then it was too late to save anything. The loss is placed at $1500; insurance, $1500.

The church was erected [illegible] years ago and had a seating capacity of 300. The pastor is Rev. J. [illegible] of Decatur. Services were held in the church at four o'clock Sunday afternoon, when there were fires in the stoves. It is supposed that the church took fire from a defective flue or from live coals which may have fallen out of the stoves.

It is probable that the church will be rebuilt. Rev. C. Gilcomer, the presiding elder, will visit Emery at once to view the situation.

CYCLING NEWS.

Over 1100 Different Names of Wheels in the Wide, Wide World.

The *Referee*, of Chicago, publishes each week a register of the names of the different wheels. So far the list numbers 1,133, with 79 duplicates.

The most notable thing at the recent cycle shows was the entire absence of gear cases. Not one could be found and it seemed as though some manufacturers had lost the golden opportunity of being a year ahead of his competitors. Pedals, handle bars and saddles received a large amount of attention and many improvements were shown. Tires were practically the same as in '95, with two or three puncture proof ones.

Some people like to refer to cycling as a craze or popular fad, which is possibly true in regard to a great many riders, but could you call it a craze when it compels a wheelman to [illegible] the hot sun and dust and [illegible] caught in a rain storm and [illegible] to do the same [illegible] next opportunity? Not that [illegible] of the sport, and it will [illegible] as long as health and [illegible]

Next to a thoroughly [illegible] wheel comes a congenial [illegible]. Many a long and otherwise [illegible] trip may be brightened [illegible] good fellows who know [illegible] joke and will stand by you [illegible] of a punctured tire.

Funerals Held [illegible]

The funeral of Mrs. [illegible] was held Sunday afternoon at [illegible] the First Methodist church [illegible] services were conducted by [illegible] Howe. The ladies of [illegible] of which the deceased [illegible] tended the family [illegible] The pall bearers were Joseph Sparks, [illegible] F. May, George W. Scovill, H. Peet, Norman Pringle and C. M. Imboden.

At 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon the funeral of Mrs. Oscar Benifield was held from the First Baptist church. Rev. D. F. Howe officiated and the burial was at Greenwood cemetery. The pall bearers were W. T. Davis, John Owens, Charles Bachman, E. L. Fouike, H. G. Boyer and J. W. Carter.

The funeral of Ivy, the 2 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ritter, was held at 2 p. m. Sunday from the M. E. church at Boody.

In a New Field.

R. V. Mallory, who has been connected with the REPUBLICAN for some months as a solicitor, has accepted a position with the Chicago *Record* as a traveling representative, and is now at work for that paper. He has territory in sixteen counties, and will be kept constantly on the go. Mr. Mallory is an earnest, faithful worker, and we wish him success in his new line of work.

DIED.

On Saturday, February 15, at the family residence on North Folk street, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kostlofski.

The funeral was held from the residence at 2 p. m. Sunday. Services were conducted by Rev. Wagner, pastor of the German Lutheran church and the burial was at Greenwood cemetery.

At the home of his brother, Amos Spencer, on the old Daly farm, four miles west of Decatur, of consumption, February 18, at 8 a. m., Bert Spencer.

At the family residence near Boody at 7 p. m. Tuesday, Feb 18, Gertrude, the 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Ritter. The child's death was caused by diphtheria.

The funeral will be held at 10 a. m. Thursday and the burial will be at the Boody cemetery.

MARRIED.

By Judge Hammer, at his office, Feb. 19, Hiram T. Adcock and Miss Katy Boley, both of Macon.

At his office, by Judge Hammer, Feb. 19, John B. Millman, of Iliopolis, and Mrs. Gussie Bilinski, of Harristown.

REV. J. H. STEWART will leave Hoopeston in April for a three months' trip to the land of his birth—Dumfreesshire, Scotland.

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CELEBRATING LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY.

The Guest of Honor of the Marquette Club, Confined His Remarks to the Bigness of Chicago and the Importance of the West

CHICAGO, Feb 13.—William McKinley of Ohio accompanied by Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina, Mark Hanna of Cleveland, O., the manager of Maj McKinley's ante convention presidential campaign and Robert C. Alexander, editor of the New York Mail and Express, were met by the Marquette club's reception committee at South Chicago yesterday morning. The delegation of Chicago republicans went from the city on a special train and met the express on which the visitors arrived.

When the party reached the city depot, carriages were in waiting to convey the guests of the club to the Auditorium Annex hotel.

After a brief rest Maj. McKinley received about three hundred prominent city and out of town members of his party who assured him of their support and extended their best wishes for his success at the convention.

The Ohio statesman, who appeared and said he was in excellent health, received the compliments and hand shakes as a private citizen disclaiming any intention of coming here to create a boom for himself but merely to pay homage to the memory and deeds of Abraham Lincoln.

Among those who called on the candidate from outside of Chicago were Powell Clayton, of Arkansas, ex-Congressman Funk of Illinois, Col. Roberts of Kentucky, F. K. Ballou, of Boston, ex-Gov. Peck, of Wisconsin, Horace Clark of Mattoon, Ill., candidate for governor, and Hon. Chauncey F. Filley, ex-Congressman Niedringhaus and F. B. Brownell of St. Louis. McKinley buttons were worn by all.

Maj. McKinley and the other banquet orators rested in their parlors until five o'clock, when a larger and more public reception was held in the hotel parlors. The Ohio man was the center of attraction for hundreds of enthusiastic republicans. Marquette club men and others who came through the fierce snow storm to pay their respects to the champion of protection.

Mr. McKinley confined his remarks, when interviewed, to comments on the bigness of Chicago, the importance commercially, of the west and the pleasure it afforded him to contribute to a Lincoln birthday celebration in which he noted with satisfaction that children were becoming conspicuous participants.

Grand Army veterans formed a considerable part of those who came to meet and shake McKinley's hand. After the reception, which lasted an hour, the small host of men in evening dress ascended to the banquet hall.

It was the tenth annual banquet by the club and it was intended there should be 1,200 guests. More than that number by 300 came and overflow banquet was necessary.

The guest of honor was McKinley. He spoke to the toast "Abraham Lincoln." Among those at the speakers table besides McKinley were Governor Upham of Wisconsin and Republican senators from Nebraska, North Carolina and Maryland.

The address by the ex-Governor was a characteristically magnificent piece of oratory. He said:

After giving a comprehensive sketch and tribute to Lincoln, in which allusion is made to the principal events in his life, Major McKinley devoted himself to a consideration of current political questions, as exemplified by the speeches and writings of Lincoln. He said:

A profound common sense is the best genius for statesmanship, and there is no substitute for it. Lincoln is certainly the most sagacious and far seeing statesman in the annals of American history. His whole life justifies this estimate of him. It is notable that his stand on all public questions in his earlier as well as his later career stamp him as the wisest expounder of political truths we have ever had.

Witnessing the government as we do to-day with its debt decreasing, bonds seeking gold depleting, labor destroying low tariff policy with what mighty force the words of Lincoln, written more than half a century ago come to us in this hour and emergency. They read as if written for the living present, not for the past. Why do you know, that as far back as March 1, 1843, at a Whig meeting in Springfield Mr. Lincoln offered a series of resolutions relating to the tariff which could well be accepted here to-night? They were then instantly and unanimously adopted, and Mr. Lincoln was himself appointed to prepare an address to the people of the state upon the subjects which they embraced. Let me read from this address his profound observations upon tariff and taxation and their relation to the condition of the country.

McKinley here quoted a lengthy address written by Lincoln to the people in which he advocated a protective tariff as the best method to meet the expenses of the government and stop the borrowing resorted to by Democratic administrations. Proceeding McKinley said:

Perhaps it was not entirely accidental that these views of Mr. Lincoln found almost literal expression in the Republican national platform of 1860. Nor is it strange that this year as in 1860, no chart is needed to mark the Republican position upon this great economic question. The whole world knew a year in advance of its utterance what the Republican platform of 1860 would be and the whole world knows now and has known for a year past, what the Republican platform of 1896 will be.

Then the battle was to arrest the spread of slave labor in America, now it is to prevent the increase of ill paid and degraded free labor in America. The platform of 1860 I say, is already written—written in the hearts and at the homes of the masses of our countrymen. It has been thought out around hundreds of thousands of American firesides—literally wrought out, by the new conditions and harsh experiences of the past three years.

On the great questions still unsettled, or in dispute between the dominant parties we stand now just as we did in 1860, for Republican principles are unalterable. On the subject of protection to American labor and American interests we can reaffirm, and will reaffirm the Lincoln platform of 1860. It needs neither amendment nor elaboration. Indeed, we could begin the platform of 1896 in the exact words with which the fathers of the Republican party began the platform of 1860. Its first plank, you will remember, reads as follows:

"*Resolved*, That the history of the nation during the last four years has fully established the propriety and necessity of the organization and perpetuation of the Republican party, and that the causes which called it into existence are permanent in their nature, and now, more than ever before, demand its peaceful and constitutional triumph."

This was said near the close of the last Democratic administration, which for a time controlled all branches of the national government. With what truth it applies to the present Democratic administration which for two years following March 4, 1893, again had control of all branches of the national government.

Now let me read the Lincoln platform on the tariff, adopted on May 17, 1860, by the second Republican national convention, and I submit whether it does not express the sentiment of the great majority of the people of Illinois, and of the whole country even better to-day than it did then. Here is what it said:

"*Resolved*, That, while providing revenue for the support of the general government by duties on imports, sound policy requires such an adjustment of these imports as to encourage the development of the industrial interests of the whole country, and we commend that policy of national exchanges which secures to the working men liberal wages to agriculture remunerative prices, to mechanics and manufacturers an adequate reward for their skill, labor and enterprise, and to the nation prosperity and independence."

Better protection no Republican could ask or desire and poorer none should advocate or accept. We are faithfully wedded to the great principle of protection by every tie of party fealty and affection, and is dearer to us now than ever before. Not only is it dearer to us Republicans, but it has more devoted supporters among the great masses of the American people irrespective of party, than at any previous period in our history. It is everywhere recognized and endorsed as the great, masterful, triumphant American principle—the key to our prosperity in business, the safest property to the treasury of the United States, and the bulwark of our national independence and financial honor.

The question of the continuance or abandonment of our productive system has been the one great, overshadowing vital question in American politics ever since Mr. Cleveland opened the contest in December, 1887, to which the lamented James G. Blaine made swift reply from across the sea and it will continue the issue until a truly American policy for the good of America is firmly established and perpetuated. The light will go on, and must go on, until the American system is everywhere recognized, until all nations come to understand and respect it as distinctly, and all Americans come to honor or love it as dearly as they do the American flag. God grant the day may come soon when all partisan contention over it is forever at an end!

The Republican party only is competent to carry this policy into effect. Whenever there is anything to be done for this country, it is to the Republican party we must look to have it done. We are not contending for any particular tariff law, or laws or for any special schedules, or rates, but for the great principle—the American protective policy—the temporary overthrow of which has brought distress and ruin to every part of our beloved country.

It may be asked what the next Republican tariff law will provide. I can not tell you. I can not tell you what the rates will be, but they will measure the difference between American and European conditions, and will be fully adequate to protect ourselves from the invasion or our markets by Oriental products to the injury of American labor and will in no case be too low to protect and exalt American labor, and promote and increase American products.

I can not better answer this grave question than by an illustration of Mr. Lincoln's. Some one asked him "How long a man's legs ought to be." He said: "That is a very serious question, and I have given much thought to it a great many times. Some should be longer and some should be shorter but I want to tell you that a man's legs ought always to be long enough to reach from his body to the ground. And so I tell you my inquiring free trade friend, that the next Republican tariff law will be long enough to firmly support the American body politic, sustain its public treasury, lift up our national credit, and uphold the dignity and independence of American labor, and the enterprises and occupations of the American people."

No one need be in any doubt about what the Republican party stands for. Its own history makes that too palpable and clear to admit of doubt. It stands for a reunited and recreated nation, based upon free and honest elections in every township, county, city, district and state in this great American union. It stands for the American fireside, and the flag of the nation. It stands for the American farm, the American factory and the property of all the American people. It stands for a reciprocity that reciprocates and which does not yield up to another country a single day's labor that belongs to the American workingman. It stands for international agreements which get as much as they give upon terms of mutual advantage. It stands for an exchange of our surplus home products for such foreign products as we consume but do not produce. I stands for the reciprocity of Blaine, for the reciprocity of Harrison for the restoration and extension of the principle embodied in the reciprocity provision of the Republican tariff of 1890. It stands for a foreign policy dictated by and imbued with a spirit that is genuinely American, for a policy that will revive the national traditions, and restore the national spirit which carried us proudly through the earlier years of the century. It stands for such a policy with all foreign nations as will insure both to us and them justice, impartiality, fairness, good faith, dignity and honor. It stands for the Monroe doctrine as Monroe himself proclaimed it, about which there is no division whatever among the American people. It stands now as ever, for honest money, and a chance to earn it by honest toil. It stands for a currency of gold, silver and paper with which to measure our exchanges that shall be as sound as the government and as untarnished as its honor. The Republican party would as soon think of lowering the flag of our country as to contemplate with patience or without protest and opposition any attempt to degrade or corrupt the medium of exchanges among the people. It can be relied upon in the future, as in the past, to supply the country with the best money ever known, gold, silver, and paper good the world over. It stands for a commercial policy that will waften every sea with the seals of American vessels, flying the American flag and that will protect that flag wherever it floats. It stands for a system which will give to the United States the balance of trade with every competing nation in the world. It is for a fiscal policy opposed to debts and deficiencies in time of peace and favors the return of the government to a debt paying, and opposes the continuance of a debt making, policy.

* * * Gentlemen of the Marquette club, and my fellow citizens, let us cherish the principles of our party and consecrate ourselves anew to their triumph. We have but to put our trust in the people, we have but to keep in close touch with the people, we have to hearken to the voice of the people as it comes to us from every quarter, we have but to paint on our banners the sentiment the people have everywhere expressed at every election during the last three years, "Patriotism, Protection and Prosperity," to win another most glorious and decisive national victory.

TO GO TO THE SUPREME COURT

Decision of Importance to Building and Loan Associations

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Feb. 14.—It is announced that the points at issue in the case of the National Home Building and Loan Association of this city are to go to the Supreme Court of Illinois for adjudication. Some weeks since on the relation of Auditor Gore, Attorney General Moloney brought suit for the dissolution of the National Home and the appointment of a receiver. The association demurred and Judge Tipton, in the McLean circuit court sustained the demurrer. The Attorney General says that, aside from the particular case of the National Home he desires a final settlement of various questions involved in this case.

One point is as to whether or not a change in the by laws of an association can be made which will bind all stockholders who do not consent to it, and especially those who have invested their money on the basis of the contract implied in the by laws before they were changed.

Another question is as to whether or not any association has a right to loan money on any other property than homesteads.

Still another to be decided is whether such association has the right to loan money outside the state. A vital question also to be passed upon is whether the policy of the auditor, heretofore exerted, in closing up associations as insolvent, has been grounded upon a proper conception of the law. Judge Tipton holds and has decided that it is not.

DEATH ENDS HEP LONG FAST

An Indiana Woman Refuses Solid Nourishment for Fifty Eight Days

BOONVILLE, Ind., Feb. 14.—Mrs. Angeline Cathery, who had lived fifty eight days without a mouthful of solid nourishment, died last evening. The doctors have been unable to diagnose her disease. The only nourishment taken was sweet milk or cold tea. These were taken in very small quantities. A peculiar feature about her case is that she complained continually of the unbearable heat, and though her room was kept cool, the windows being wide open she perspired all the time. When in health three months ago she weighed 178 pounds, but at her death she would not weigh one third of this.

ALL FOR TANNER

Cook County Convention To Day Instructed Its Delegates for Him

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—The Cook county Republican convention to day to select delegates to the convention at Springfield instructed for John R. Tanner for governor. There was no mention of presidential preferences in the convention.

Mrs Studabaker Granted a Divorce

DECATUR, Ind., Feb. 15.—The celebrated Studabaker divorce case which caused a sensation in society circles throughout Northern Indiana a few weeks ago was decided in the circuit court here yesterday. Mrs. Lucy A. Studabaker gets a divorce from her husband, David E. Studabaker, and realestate in this city valued at $10,000. She was made custodian of their child to six years.

Failed to Get a Valentine

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 15.—Eva Gorman, 17 years old, near Russellville, committed suicide yesterday by shooting herself with a revolver. Her lover, Charles Hirschman failed to send her a valentine and drove to Crawfordsville with another girl. This is supposed to have driven Miss Gorman to desperation. The recent death of a sister also caused her to be despondent.

Patchen Wilkes Sold for $10,025

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—The star of the sale at Madison Square Garden yesterday afternoon was Patchen Wilkes, the wonderful sire. M. Bowerman secured him after spirited bidding for $10,025. Patchen Wilkes is the sire of 84 in the 2:30 list and is the sire of 104 dams with records of 2:30 or better. His best son is Joe Patchen.

Death in a Mine

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 15.—In the Republic mines this morning as a number of men were coming up in a skip from work the skip jumped the track, caught, turned over on the men killing Wm. McGraw, James Dodge, Adolph Bortel and Mathias Tegelberg and seriously injuring four others.

Death of J. B. Brown

GALENA, Ill., Feb. 13.—J. L. Brown, editor and proprietor of the Galena *Gazette* died in Chicago this morning aged 61. He was always a prominent Republican and was a warm personal friend of General Grant and was one of the 306 who stood by him so long in the convention of 1880.

Family Murdered and Burned

AUGUSTA, Ky., Feb. 15.—Robert Laughlin, a prominent farmer near here, was stabbed several times by unknown assailants last night. His wife and 14 year old niece were murdered and their bodies burned with the house. Laughlin escaped in the darkness.

First In America

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—A needle manufactory, the first in the United States, has been established here. By means of a machine invented by a Detroit man needles can be made and sold for fifty cents per thousand against $1.20 for English make, and against 75 cents for German make.

Pratt County for McKinley.

MONTICELLO, Ill., Feb. 15.—At the meeting of the Piatt County Republican workers here to-day 100 of them were polled as to preference for president. Ninety one of them favored McKinley. The rest scattered.

Hanged in Washington

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—John, alias Patsey Harris, the negro murderer, was hanged this morning for killing L. Mathey Spreull as the result of a quarrel between their families, they being neighbors.

Emile Davis Executed

LINN, Mo., Feb. 15.—Emile Davis was hanged here this morning for the murder of Frank Henderson, his sister's sweetheart, January 1894. He died protesting his innocence.

William A. Axtse.

QUINCY, Ill., Feb. 15.—William E. Axtse justice of the peace and for many years a member of the Adams county bar died in St. Mary's Hospital yesterday, aged 60 years.

REACHED THE POLE.

The Point Situated on a Range of Mountains

DR. F. NANSEN IS THE DISCOVERER

The Norwegian's Expedition Started Out in June, 1893—The Word Comes That Instead of Open Sea He Found Land

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 13.—A telegram from Irkutsk, Siberia, says a Siberian trader, agent of Dr. Fridtj. Nansen, a Norwegian explorer who sailed for the Arctic regions in June, 1893, received information that Dr. Nansen reached the North Pole and found land there and is now returning towards civilization.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—Last April the Paris *Figaro* circulated a rumor that Dr. Nansen had found the North Pole that it was situated on a chain of mountains and that he planted the Norwegian flag there. The story was then generally discredited. Last September advices were received here from the Danish training station on the east coast of Greenland that a ship supposed to be Dr. Nansen's was sighted at the end of July last in the ice. December 6th last a dispatch from Christiania, Norway, stated that Nansen's wife received a letter by carrier pigeon reporting the expedition doing well. As Nansen took no carrier pigeons the report is evidently incorrect. List August Nansen sent a dispatch from Vardo reporting he was about to sail into Icy Sea. Last March a report from Hammerfest, Norway, said a letter had been received dated Feb. 21th, that a balloon had been seen moving in a southerly direction in the neighborhood of Lingfjord and it was thought possible it might be carrying dispatches from Nansen.

DIGGING GOLD AT HOT SPRINGS

Miners Developing a Find Which May Prove Very Valuable

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Feb. 15.—Near Benton street and a short distance west of the old Conger residence, a force of men were to be seen to day digging with picks and shovels on a vacant piece of property. Where the work is in progress there appears to be a ledge of white quartz, and an old Californian, who is superintending the work says it is rich in gold and that it is likely to prove a mine more valuable than anything yet heard of in the Cripple Creek region. Twenty men are busy taking out quartz, and the miners who are all experienced are thoroughly imbued with the idea of success, for they know gold bearing ore when they see it. The men assert that hundreds of tons of less valuable ore than that found here are being shipped from Cripple Creek every day.

DECORATED LINCOLN'S GRAVE

Woman's Relief Corps of Decatur Decorate Lincoln's Grave

Springfield News, Feb. 17.

The grave of the martyred Lincoln was beautifully decorated this morning with a profusion of smilax and lilies by a committee from the Woman's Relief Corps of Decatur. They arrived in the city at 8:18, when they were met at the depot by Mrs. L. Moorehead, president, and Mrs. Al Arnold past president of Stephenson Relief Corps, and others, who escorted them to the monument. Superintendent Minary kindly placed a car at their disposal and carried them to their destination. At the tomb short exercises were held and speeches were made by Mrs. Effie R. Kennedy, president, and Mrs. Hattie Buskirk, press corresponding secretary of the visiting corps, and Mrs. Al Arnold of this city. The party consisted of Mrs. Effie R. Kennedy, president, Mrs. Mary Snyder, secretary, Mrs. Hattie Buskirk, press corresponding secretary and Mesdames Dora Spalding, Sarah Scott, Mary Berno, Chloe Murphy, Charlotte Dill, Elizabeth Adams and others, and William F. Martin of Post 141, and Mrs. Dunham of Relief Corps No. 4, all of Decatur.

The party was entertained by the different members of the local posts this afternoon and they will return home this evening.

Assignees May Auction

An unsuccessful effort has been made to apply the city auction license law to the assignees in Decatur, who have been selling goods behind the red flag and clanging bells. The assignees through C. S. Hinkins, resisted the payment of the license and Judge Hammer in the county court settled the dispute by giving in order to both Hinkins and J. W. Eurman to go ahead and dispose of the goods in their charge at auction. Judge Vail's opinion which was sought was to the effect that the city ordinance [illegible] to the assignees. And so that matter is settled. Assignee Eurman will begin his auction sale of the Anstead stock to morrow.

Base Ball Club.

Next summer the country round about had better look out and stand from under. The Blue Mound young men have reorganized their ball club with the following players: Catcher, Charles Betz, pitchers, Walter Uhrich and Henry Schwab, 1st base Guy Foster, 2d base Elmer Whitsell, 3rd base, Gene Bramblett short stop, George Robbins left field, Herman Will center field, Henry Schwab, right field, Ted Seiberling, mascot, Check Logan, captain, Walter Uhrich.

A Specimen Hog Case

A case has just been settled in the circuit court at Bloomington by a compromise which shows what men are willing to endure in the way of expensive litigation when they get their minds set in that way. The hog in question was worth about $10. The case was tried at the last term of court and the costs footed up $111 outside of counsel fees, which were probably $50 more. A large quantity of pork could be purchased for $161, even at prevailing high prices.

DR. TYLER expect to erect at once a two story frame building, about 40x60, on their lot on the corner of Adams and South Center streets, Clinton.

GEORGE VERRY shipped 431 head of sheep to Chicago, being the last of over 1,000 which he has been feeding at Atlanta.

The Doctor's Discovery.

DR. BROWN, OF DAVID CITY, NEB., FINDS A MEDICINE OF RARE VIRTUE.

He First Cures Himself with It, and then Prescribes It for His Patients with Gratifying Results.

(*From the Lincoln, Neb., Ci. L.*)

Dr. Daniel Brown is a pioneer resident of David City having lived there for twenty years. He is well known all over Butler County having practiced medicine in every part. He is his recovery from a very serious disease that is looked upon as a miracle. When visited by the *Herald* reporter Dr. Brown gladly related the history of his sickness and his final cure.

"This will be my first step into the field of a public interview but I am so thoroughly convinced of my recovery by the line of conduct I am pursuing that I feel it my duty to do all I can to let others know of it. For six or seven years I suffered from a paralytic stroke which left my left side very weak, but I kept about and attended to my business. I had been troubled with Diabetes. I noticed that I perspired very freely on the part of my body that was affected by the paralysis, and I found that I had every indication that I was going to lose my sight. I was also

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LOCAL NEWS.

THE infant child of Burrell Spooner, near Emery died last week aged four months.

James Bailey, who has been living here for the past ten years, removed his family to Decatur Wednesday.

MAMA eats a Cascaret, baby gets the benefit. Cascarets make mother's milk mildly purgative.

You will find the celebrated Haines and Reed & Son's pianos at the C. B. Prescott music house. Call and make your selection.

ELIJAH WALKER and his son, Walter, of Decatur, have purchased the principal grain elevator at Assumption and will operate it.

SELECT one of those Haines upright or Reed & Son's pianos, on sale at the C B. Prescott house, and you will make no mistake. Low prices and easy terms.

IN the county court yesterday Judge Hammer made an order directing S. A Friedman, administrator of the estate of James G Cooper, to pay to the widow, Elizabeth Cooper, $35 a month for her support. Mrs. Cooper was beneficiary under the will, and is entitled to the profits and rents of the estate, but represented to the court that she could not realize anything from it for two years at least

IN the county court yesterday R. G. Hobbs was appointed guardian of Harry R. Pinnell, infant son of the late C. C. Pinnell. The child has an interest in the estate valued at $100. Mr Hobbs filed a bond in the sum of $200, with L. B. Osborne and William Herschberger as securities. The appointment of a guardian was taken as a preliminary step to the adoption of the babe, and a guardian was necessary to give legal consent.

THE COOPER CASE.

Trial in Progress on a Charge of False Pretense—Insane Plea.

From Thursday's Daily.

This afternoon in the county court before Judge Hammer and a jury evidence is being heard in the false pretense case against Oliver L. Cooper. The jurymen are O. R Allen, J. G. Harvey, W. C Pluck, Harry M. Moore, Geo. M. Proctor, Joseph Danley, David Seiberling, Frank Gregory, John Adams, Albert Brightbill, A T. Grist and E. E. Patterson. Attorney John Fitzgerald represents the People, and Attorneys Leforge and Edwin Park the defense.

It is set up by the defense that Cooper is mentally deranged, and in support of this plea it is alleged that his malady is due to the result of the kick of a horse received two years ago. Cooper is charged with false pretense in selling mortgaged property. If pronounced insane by the jury he will escape punishment.

Dr. W. J. Chenoweth, for the defense, testified that he had made an examination of Cooper at his office this morning, and it was his opinion that the young man's brain had been injured by the kick of the horse, that he is an imbecile, and that he is incapable of managing business affairs

Declared to Be Insane.

In the county court Oliver L. Cooper, who had been indicted for obtaining money—$108.95 from E. L. Pegram and $95 85 from John Allen—by false pretense, was declared insane by a jury, mainly on the testimony of Dr. J L. Connelly, of Harristown, and Dr W. J. Chenoweth, of Decatur Cooper had been kicked on the head by a horse two years ago, and his conduct since that unfortunate circumstance has been very irregular. He will be taken to Kankakee for treatment. The verdict relieves Cooper from punishment on the criminal charge.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

Clements F Bates vs. City of Decatur, trespass Trial by jury still pending.

I R. Mills, state's attorney, on behalf of the People, vs Decatur and Eastern Railway Co., Quo warranto. Continued by agreement.

Linn & Scruggs Dry Goods and Carpet Co vs. Daniel O Brien et al, appeal Continued by agreement.

Elijah Walker vs Joshua Ashcraft et al, appellant, appeal Still dismissed as to Rebecca Ashcraft and judgment against Joshua Ashcraft for $200.

C F. Emery conservator &c vs Joseph Reynolds and Nettie Bapp, replevin Demurrer to third plea sustained and leave given to amend plea.

Lorado Taft Married.

Lorado Taft, the Chicago sculptor, was married to Miss Ada Bartlett, of Boston, Mass., on February 11 Mr. Taft was a widower and is well known in Decatur, having visited here several times. He was visiting friends in this city some years ago when he received the news of the sudden death of his wife.

Fined Again.

Dick House, who was arrested Friday evening for drunkeness, was brought before Justice Shorb this morning and fined $5 and costs He went to jail in default of payment. He was arrested and fined for being drunk last Sunday, and as soon as he had another opportunity he repeated the offense.

Death of G. A. Stadler, Sr.

This morning George A. Stadler, jr., received news of the death of his father, G. A. Stadler, sr., near Fairmount, Vermilion county, Ill. The deceased was 75 years old and leaves six children. Mr. Stadler and his wife left this morning for Fairmount to attend the funeral.

DIED.

At the family residence, 665 East Condit street at 7 30 a. m. Thursday, Feb. 13, Edward G. Helm, son of Mrs. J. W. Helm, aged 18 years.

The remains will be taken to Bloomington tomorrow for burial.

At the family home, 1055 East William street at 1 25 a. m. Feb 16, of a complication of diseases, Rosina Bonifield, wife of O. W. Bonifield

The deceased leaves a husband, and a child two weeks old, also her parents, Mr. and Mrs James G. Baker, of Indianapolis, Ind, James Baker, a brother, and Mrs. Jennie Kanouse, a sister, of Decatur.

Joy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs John Ritter, at the home of her parents near Boedy, at 2:45 a.m. Feb. 15, aged 3 years and 25 days.

LYNCHING ECHOES.

Roxy Now Declares That Grant Atterberry Was Her Assailant.

COMMENTS OF THE SULLIVAN EDITOR

Later Particulars of the Mob's Vengeful Act—A Second Inquest—Three Men Known.

Second Inquest and Burial.

SULLIVAN, Ill, Feb. 13.—The body of Grant Atterberry was buried to-day in the local cemetery with no funeral services whatever. The inquest that was held yesterday was conducted before 'Squire Campbell To day the coroner arrived from Arthur, declared the inquest illegal and ordered a new one. A new jury was impaneled. The three other prisoners in the jail—Charley Maxedon for burglary, Emmett Ramson for assault, and Tom Roberts—were subpoenaed as witnesses, and testified that Atterberry gave each of them a leg of the table he had broken to pieces and asked them to help him, as he was innocent. They took no part, and he fought so desperately as to release himself from the rope once after it was thrown over his head When overpowered he shook hands with Maxedon and told him good bye. They also testified that they knew several members of the mob, that one man's mask fell off and they positively knew him. The jury has returned a verdict involving three or four men, prominent citizens, as leaders of the mob, although they will not disclose names.

Mrs. Roxy Attorberry in an interview to day positively stated that Grant Atterberry was her assailant. Now that he is dead the fear which prevented her telling has partially passed away, although she dreads the vengeance of Hinton Atterberry, who has vowed to make her suffer for the lynching. She states that her trouble with Grant arose over her husband's estate which Grant was trying to get

The warrant issued for Mrs. Grant Atterberry, charging her with being an accomplice of her husband in the assault, has not yet been served and the reason is not given.

Sullivan Sentiment.

The first issue of a Sullivan paper since the lynching of Grant Atterberry Tuesday night reached the REPUBLICAN office this morning. It is the Sullivan *Herald*, which devotes nearly four columns to the act of the mob The Sullivan eye-witness says the jail door was literally pounded into kindling wood before entrance to the jail could be effected There was only one shot fired in the jail. The bullet went into the ceiling. It was fired as a note of warning to Sheriff Lansden and his two sons, Charles and Mark. The writer adds:

Atterberry heard the attack on the outer door and getting out of bed he broke up the prisoner's dining table and giving a leg to each of his fellow-prisoners and taking one for himself, he asked them to come out and help him. They refused and Atterberry retreated to his cell to battle alone. The mob made short work of all intervening locks between them and the prisoner's cell, and once there he was knocked down two or three times and the rope placed around his neck. He was then jerked through the corridors and led down stairs.

At the tree in the court house yard the lynching was promptly executed. There was no wagon or ladder to use, but a small man with the rope in his teeth climbed the tree coon fashion and threw the rope over a fork, the mob on the ground pulling with a will until Atterberry's body hung a yard from the ground. His face was scraped against the tree until the skin came off Before being strung up Atterberry persistently protested his innocence.

The corpse presented a ghastly appearance. The face was discolored a light blue except in places where the clubs of the mob had fallen during the fight in the cell. Here blood had been drawn and the flesh bruised and the skin torn. There was also a bruised spot on the head The noose around the neck ended in a knot of the regular pattern placed under the left ear. The rope had sunk into the flesh until on the outer edges there lingered a suspicion of blood The body had not been disturbed and was dressed and remained in the same position as it was left by the mob.

The women who visited the scene contented themselves with a look from a distance, but the men gathered under the tree direct and discussed the affair with more or less levity Not one word of regret, not one word of pity escaped from anybody.

Mrs Atterberry came down town soon after the body was removed, and going to the sheriff's office viewed the remains, and said that "that was Grant."

Identified the Lynchers.

At the inquest the jury selected were Dr S. W. Johnson, M. Ansbacher, F. M. Waggoner, Thomas Donnelly, Walter S. Craig and Charles J. Swisher

Sheriff Lansden was the first witness and testified in substance that the jail doors had been broken open by sledge hammers in the hands of an unknown mob of about eighteen or twenty in number; that he had been intimidated by having pistols poked under his nose and that he was able to identify two or three of the mob, but as a mob they were unknown. Mr. Lansden was also satisfied that Atterberry had received no injuries at the jail which would cause death. Deputy Charles Lansden testified that the members of the mob were all disguised either by blackened faces or by masks. He said that he recognized three persons by their every day clothing and would swear that he was right. The men were doing duty as guards outside and that when Atterberry came down stairs these three went ahead of the procession. Other witnesses examined were John P. Lilly, Horace Monroe and B W. Haw, whose testimony did not throw any additional light on the subject. The verdict was simply that Atterberry came to his death at the hands of a masked mob.

The lynching of Atterberry has aroused the question of his guilt or innocence of the crime of rape. We do not presume to pass upon the question ourselves, but the men who executed him were not a class who would do such an act recklessly. The movements of the mob Wednesday morning didn't betray any hesitation in the work. They seemed satisfied that they were right about it, and had gone to a good deal of trouble to see that nothing got away. It is fair to presume that the mob knew what it was about; that is to say, it knew a little more than the general public. Those who still refuse to believe him guilty can enter the consolation class and put it down as "general principles"

Sheriff Lansden no doubt feels a great deal chagrined to have such a thing happen under his administration, but he may rest assured that the people will not accuse him of insincerity. He is an old soldier and not a coward. He did all that was expected of him and more, too, to save his prisoner and escape great bodily harm himself. That the mob was his friends is proven by the leniency shown him that night.

More or less has been said about punishing the mob or any part of it that may become known. We doubt very much if this can be done, for in the case of Bush at Decatur, the grand jury had all the evidence it wanted but still refused to indict, although Judge Vail gave positive instructions to do so. Public sentiment rarely fails to protect those who carry out its decrees and the Atterberry case will prove no exception.

A telegram states that Fred Hoke, Frank Hoke and John Miller are the names of the three lynchers recognized by Sheriff Lansden and his son Their names will be presented before the grand jury.

The 1891 Murder.

MOWEAQUA, Ill, Feb. 12.—Though over four years have elapsed since David J. Atterberry was murdered in cold blood almost in sight of his own home the crime is still fresh in the minds of residents in this vicinity.

Monday afternoon, Nov. 23, 1891, David J. Atterberry, father of Grant and Edward Atterberry, was shot and instantly killed while on his way home in a road cart from the city In returning home on that evening he went somewhat out of his way to visit a widow, Mrs. Nancy Denton, to whom he was said to be engaged to be married It was while driving north from her house to his own that the crime was committed. Circumstantial evidence pointed strongly to the two boys, Grant and Edward, and they were arrested, charged with the crime. George McClelland, who resides near, heard a gunshot, but paid no particular attention until he noticed a road cart dashing furiously up the road Then he started toward the vicinity from whence the shot came. He discovered the body of the murdered man, his brains oozing out of a ghastly wound showing that the gun had been held within a foot of his head

While the evidence was wholly circumstantial it was very strong. The Atterbury boys were seen just before the murder in a narrow tread wagon It was the only narrow tread wagon in that section. Mr. McClelland saw the boys in the wagon, heard the shot and found the corpse. It had rained during the day and traces of the road cart and the narrow tread wagon were within 20 inches of each other and the track of the narrow tread led direct to Edward Atterberry's house. Much bitter feeling existed between the boys and the old man, because he desired to marry again, and many threats were made against him. Shortly after the murder Edward went violently insane and is now in the asylum at Kankakee, while Grant was tried in the Shelby circuit court in October, 1892 and acquitted. Mrs. Roxy Atterberry, wife of Edward, was one of the best witnesses for Grant.

Full Statement Made by the Woman Who Was Assaulted—Wife of Grant in Decatur.

Mrs Grant Atterberry, widow of the man who was lynched by the mob at Sullivan, arrived in the city last evening to visit her relative, Mrs M. E. Young, who resides at 1305 North Church street. She came for a rest, accompanied by her 3-year-old son. Mrs. Atterberry believes implicitly in the innocence of her husband, and says that he was at his home all night of the date on which Mrs. Roxy Attorberry was assaulted. She further asserts that pleasant relations existed between the two families. She further states that she will bring suit against Moultrie county for damages in not providing protection for her husband. Mrs. Atterberry will return to Sullivan in a few days

The Other Side.

Mrs. Roxy Atterberry, the wronged woman, has at last made a full statement of facts, together with her conclusions It was published in the Sullivan *News* of Feb. 11, and is as follows:

"I was not at home last night, in fact haven't stayed at home since last Friday. I was at the residence of Geo W Sampson. We were awakened by the noises of the mob but did not get up. I did not think things would take the turn they have; supposed of course that the law would be allowed to take its course People will probably think that I knew something of the arrangements of the mob because I wasn't at home, but such is not the case I was afraid to stay there, as I have no means of defense and my neighbors advised me not to stay. My neighbors tell me that last Saturday night someone was seen prowling around my house all night I was in Bruce Sunday visiting relatives, and came up Monday with the express purpose of attending the preliminary. I would have sworn positively that Grant Atterberry was the man who committed the assault on me the night of Jan. 23

"I feel that I am a little safer now but not much. Have known that the Atterberrys were enemies of mine, but never knew all of the threats made against me until since the occurrence of January 23. Grant has always objected to my managing my husband's estate, had tried on various occasions to get it from me, by piece-meal if no other way, such as always wanting to borrow small sums of money from me. He seriously objected to my building a home here in Sullivan. Had accused me of running through with it, and not trying to take care of it. He had threatened on several occasions to have my home taken from me.

"About two years ago they (Gran and his sister) secured the release of my husband from the asylum and kept him about two weeks, much against my will. At that time they tried to make me build a house on the farm and fix one room in it for his confinement, and when I positively refused to do this they threated to take the matter out of my hands and build it themselves. This incident has been frequently thrown up to me since its occurrence.

"At the time of my husband's escape from the asylum, Anna (his sister) offered a reward for his capture, and afterwards tried to force me to pay it. This was one of the incidents which caused the bitterest feeling to exist between her and myself.

"Since Grant's arrest I haven't heard of any threats made against me by his wife nor his sister Anna, but have heard from what I consider good authority that Hinton Atterberry has said that he would get square with me for Grant's arrest.

"I do not think this will throw any light on the murder of David Atterberry any more than has been done already. I do not believe it was anything pertaining to the murder that caused the assault to be made on me. I testified for Grant in the murder trial I knew nothing about the murder. I have often been accused of knowing something of the murder, in fact, all about it, and I want it understood that I did not. All I knew about it was what took place at my house after it was done. I felt that when he was murdered I had lost the best friend I ever had in the Atterberry family

"As soon as I get a little stronger I expect to stay at home, but shall be prepared to defend myself. I have never before thought it necessary to arm myself, now see that it must be done."

BODY COMING TO DECATUR

Death of Fred. C. Simpson at a Hotel in California February 14.

Last evening Ald. and Mrs George S. Simpson were shocked to receive a telegram stating simply that their second son, Fred. C. Simpson, aged 24 years, had committed suicide in the Westminster hotel at Los Angeles, Cal, at about five o'clock. There were no particulars, and the exact facts will not be known until the lapse of a few days.

Immediately complete arrangements were made for Mr. Simpson by Undertaker Bullard and W. R. Bresie for the prompt care of the body and its shipment by express to Decatur, all expenses being guaranteed in the name of the Pacific Express company through Supt. Bresie at the request of Mr. Simpson.

The parents of the young man cannot believe that Fred committed suicide. He had no cause to do so. Last fall at his own personal request Fred started for California to take charge of a 10 acre olive grove which Ald. Simpson had purchased for his son at an outlay of about $1,000. It was Fred's wish to go out and cultivate the grove, which is located two miles from the town of San Fernando and twenty miles from Los Angeles. He wanted a change, and refused a place in Decatur at $50 a month, hoping to do better on the ranch. He went away with bright hopes and prospects, and was accompanied by his friend, George Tuttle, who is now somewhere in California.

Frequently Fred wrote home cheerful letters speaking of the development of the grove and what he expected to realize. He worked hard on the place and said he liked the new life. Six weeks ago he made a journey by steamer to San Francisco and on his return to the ranch wrote home that he was better satisfied than ever with the country around Los Angeles. The last letter from Fred was received on January 27, when he wrote that he was afflicted with his old complaint, the piles and also stomach trouble. He suggested he would have to have an operation performed he feared for his relief. On Feb. 4, Alderman Simpson by express order sent Fred $75 to pay his way home. It went to San Fernando, and could not have reached that point sooner than Feb. 10 or 11, as it would have to go first to Los Angeles, the distributing point for that section. Fred might have been a day late in calling at the San Fernando office for the money, and so he could not have been in Los Angeles more than two days on his way home, until he met his death The theory of the family is that Fred, if he died of morphine poisoning, did so while taking the drug for relief from pain. There was no cause for suicide in his case. And they believe the particulars of his death, when they become known, will put a different phase on the sad occurrence.

At a late hour last night Mr. Simpson was very much gratified to receive a telegram from J. Frank Payne, father of Mrs J. S. Starr, who is at Los Angeles, stating that he would personally look after the body and see that instructions were followed

The whole community will sympathize with the parents in their sad affliction. Many friends called at the home to day to offer assistance and sympathy.

LEONARD—DOWNING.

Quiet Wedding This Afternoon at the Home of the Bride.

Friday afternoon at two o'clock Miss Eva Downing, daughter of Mrs George Downing, and Richard B Leonard, son of Prof. R B. Leonard, were united in marriage by Dr W. H. Penhallegon, of the Presbyterian church, at the residence of Mr and Mrs. A. R Montgomery, on West Main street, aunt and uncle of the bride.

It was a quiet wedding with only the relatives present. The groom is connected with the dental office of J. D. Moore, and both are quite well known in social circles. The many friends of Dick and Eva will take special pleasure in offering congratulations, wishing both a long, prosperous and happy journey through life.

Will be a Candidate.

W. K. Whitfield, late of the law firm of Whitfield & Deck, this city, has returned to Sullivan where he is now making a gallant fight for the Democratic nomination for states attorney of Moultrie county. Mr. Whitfield is a young man of fine attainments and acknowledged ability as a lawyer. His many Decatur friends and admirers would be pleased to learn of his success in the coming battle of ballots.

The Sheriff's Office.

A new hard-pine railing which will cost the county $15 to $20 has been put in place at the office of Sheriff J. P. Nicholson. It has been badly needed for a long time. It will serve to shut out the crowd of visitors, and give the sheriff and his deputies an opportunity to do business without annoying interruptions by strangers.

Taken to Bloomington.

The remains of the late Edward G Helm, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Helm, were taken to Bloomington this morning for burial.

TWO WOODFORD county pioneers, Isaac McOmber and Daniel J. E. Dunlevy, passed away last week.

ASSIGNMENT.

Michael Eichinger Turns His Property Over to S. S. Jack.

ASSETS $122,296; LIABILITIES $35,786

A Veteran Farmer Pressed for Cash Goes Into Court to Liquidate—Valuable Estate Tied Up for a Term of Years.

In a recent issue of the REPUBLICAN it was stated that the wife of Michael Eichinger, retired farmer and local trader and real estate dealer, had gone before Judge Hammer in the county court and asked that a conservator be appointed for her husband to look after his property, as she regarded him incapable of managing his affairs. The hearing on that petition was fixed for the first week in March

Assignment.

On Saturday Mr. Eichinger made a voluntary assignment of all his property for the benefit of his creditors, and Samuel S. Jack was appointed assignee, amount of the bond to be fixed later. The total value of the estate is $122,296.98, liabilities, $35,786. Below is a copy of the schedules filed in the case:

INVENTORY OF REAL ESTATE.

Below is a copy of real estate and value of same belonging to Michael Eichinger:

North half fractional quarter 7, 16, 1 east, 174 acres	$15,920 00
Thirty acres in southeast quarter, 7, 16, 4 east	1,500 00
One hundred and sixty-eight acres in section 1, 16, 3 east	13,400 00
All in Macon county, Illinois.	
Also, 160 acres in Holt county, Neb	1,280 00
Also, 320 acres in Holt county, Neb	5,760 00
Also, property at the corner of West Eldorado and Church streets, Decatur, Ill	16,000 00
Lot 14, Warren & Co's 7th addition	1,300 00
Lots 5 and 6, block 1, Bellevue Place	200 00
Lot 1, and east half lot 2, block 3, also west half lot 2, Starr & Mills' First addition—the home place	5,000 00
Lots 8 and 9, block 10, lot 9, block 7, all in East Park Boulevards	4,000 00
Lots in Eichinger Heights	23 00 00
Tract of land in 12, 16 2 east	7,000 00
Lot in block 1, Oglesby's addition	4,500 00
Also dozens of other lots and tracts of land the value of which is not given.	
Total value of real estate	$102,920 00
CHATTEL PROPERTY.	
1,800 bushels of corn in crib (Manecke farm)	$ 378 00
350 bushels of corn in crib (Casner place)	75 00
150 bushels of musty wheat (Casner place)	37 50
200 bushels of musty wheat (Manecke place)	50 00
Seven tons of clover hay (Manecke place)	60 00
Ninety shocks of corn (Hunsley farm)	72 50
Seven tons baled timothy hay, (Casner place)	70 00
Lot of farming implements	10 00
One old horse, "Charley"	5 00
Span work horses	100 00
One surrey, spring wagon, etc.	125 0
Household goods claimed as exempt.	
NOTES AND ACCOUNTS DUE.	
Fred Wilson (part payment)	$ 500 00
A. Marie Macpherson	29 98
James A. Birt, approximated	500 00
H Manecke	80 00
Henry Hunsley	80 00
F. P Rodby, secured real estate mort	400 00
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Henry Cotner rent account etc	560 00
Value of chattel property	$ 14,276 78
Grand total of assets	$122,296 98
LIABILITIES.	
A. T Summers, Pegram & Co	$ 18 500 00
" " " "	2500 00
Savings Fund Loan Co.,	1,500 00
Decatur Mutual Loan Co.	800 00
Savings Fund Loan Co	600 00
" " " "	600 00
C H. Dawson,	4,500 00
H. M. Powell	700 00
A F. Gebhart	20 00
Morehouse & Wells Co	20 00
Daniel Nickey	75 00
Joseph Starr	1 020 00
John Allen	481 00
Mueller Plumbing & Heating Co	800 00
John Larrles	1,100 00
Citizens' National Bank	1,500 00
John Huff	400 00
Mary Hawker	250 00
C. W Battles	20 00
Total	$35,786 00

Mr. Eichinger's financial difficulties have been a subject of common talk and speculation for some months. He has been pressed hard for money, which he could not produce. He has been identified with a number of unfortunate ventures, and finally he concluded to make an assignment. Assignee Jack will attend to the settlement.

Death of an Old Decatur Resident.

Mrs. Helen M. Arion, an aunt of Gen. Lew Wallace, died on February 8, at Los Angeles, California. The deceased will be well remembered by the older residents of Decatur as Mrs. Forsythe. She lived here years ago and was the mother of Robert Forsythe, for whom the town of Forsythe is named.

MARRIED.

By Justice Provost at his office, Feb. 13, William E. Brothers and Mrs. Rosetta Allison, both of Illinois.

At the Catholic church at Niantic, Feb. 13, by Rev. Father Manuel, M. L. Delaney and Miss Maggie Doran.

James Delaney and Miss Maymie Doran were the attendants, and Miss Henneberry played the wedding march. A reception was held and a fine feast served.

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MOST PERFECT MADE.

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40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20 1896

Congressman Foss seems to have been run over by the machine

The Piatt county central committee to announce for McKinley for president

If the Chicago *Tribune* continues some of its favorite sons for president the voters may make plenty of fun of the word McKinley

Senator Nourse has drawn Northern Pacific land, plied the Northern Pacific corporation on land grants bonds which are humble Norwegian

Spain claims to have 200,000 in Cuba but will not say that amount long as the Cubans have been in territory within eight miles of Havana

Perhaps the favorite son can gracefully climb up with more Republicans now, if he is to support his boom than the favorite son in Nebraska has at his back

Twenty four hundred thousand thousands of Democratic men out of employment and many mortgaged their homes Driven by the unseen hand for McKinley Everybody happy

Vote of Michigan Republican congressmen and three fifths Democratic congressmen were against the free silver bill in the bond bill Good for Old Michigan

In the Democratic follow their rule of nominating candidate for president who comes in at the next nomination of that party must come from Texas or Arkansas

Hearst Hearst seems to have the Chicago delegates to the state convention from Chicago but as for himself has such a hold on the people that any delegate entirely Cook county will be for him

Republicans might do well to take a leaf from some of those who manned the lines in Illinois in 1894 it was high time there were men who were worth the majority in their place

Twenty members of the Kentucky legislature expect to elect a man to the United States senate they will have to find by the caucus nominee The moment they begin to scatter they are done

Major McKinley spoke in sixteen states a maximum speech in seven weeks and has audiences aggregated more people than were ever before addressed by any one man in a political campaign in this country

Some Democrats have [illegible] proposed that [illegible] Democrats [illegible] Democrats [illegible] Democrat [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] free silver [illegible] the tariff bill is not [illegible] tariff bill They know the senate could not pass a free silver bill

The following from the St Louis *Globe Democrat* will test the average reader as being [illegible] but it counts in addition to the fact that two of the bosses Clarkson and Hatch have said that [illegible] their [illegible] cannot [illegible]

The opinion [illegible] in some quarters that the Republican [illegible] the title which will in the [illegible] any more [illegible] the past [illegible] There are [illegible] at all that the bosses will [illegible] if they [illegible] that their vote will [illegible] Nearly the bosses were against Harrison Morton [illegible] but they [illegible] nothing A National Convention big with ring to be manned by local managers [illegible] instructions [illegible] Quay the [illegible] preferences of the people [illegible] those preferences may be [illegible] be to [illegible] tion of the nominee

"Lyman Gridshaw [illegible] able Democratic statesman who [illegible] the house thirty five years [illegible] comes back to legislate [illegible] were by which he was [illegible] fixes the unit of value [illegible] make the value to the [illegible] done by [illegible] for wool [illegible] graded according to the cost of production, the supply and demand of money and the commodities at the time of the exchange The dealer in the products of labor fixes the value of what shall be received for them The woodchopper on the banks of the Mississippi river, near the close of the rebellion when hailed by a steamboat captain, who asked whether his wood was for sale, answered, 'Yes' The captain inquired, 'How much a cord?' 'How do you propose to pay?' "In Confederate money' 'Then cord for cord.'

Oh That Crow

When a man is convinced against his will the maxim says he remains of the same opinion still The Chicago *Tribune* by the information it has received from Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan and Missouri has discovered that the people of those states are for McKinley for president It is well known that the *Tribune* is heartily opposed to McKinley and the convincing evidence it has brought to it has not changed the opinion of the *Tribune* It does not say whether the people favor McKinley or not it will in any event be opposed to him

The *Tribune* however, has taken to opposing McKinley in face of the unanimous verdict of the people in its favor Strange as it may seem unique and unique It has discovered, in its mind's eye, a lot of men who are not of the people they are classes who in its imagination are so overcrowded by the thousands of men whom it interviewed and whose [illegible] that the people were for McKinley These classes are the business men and some young men who were too young to vote in 1892

It concludes that the business men do not favor McKinley because his nomination would be an assurance that the tariff agitation would be opened and the country would be again disturbed by it Ignore the well known fact that revision of the tariff along protective lines never frights business and never does business men not disturbed until the tariff has been revised business men disturbed while the McKinley bill were under consideration and after it was in the country under the protective tariff act is [illegible] never does disturb business men of the country But suppose the ridiculous position taken by the *Tribune* were true and the votes of the business men could not be secured to McKinley while the party promulgated the McKinley bill should not be disturbed what would become of the price What reason could it have for thinking the support of the people?

Again the *Tribune* got its reports from men who are called the business men for McKinley and were in Illinois where they are solidly for McKinley with here and there a business man favors the nomination of another man not because of the tariff but for other money question

Now comes the consideration of the interests of the young men who voted for Cleveland because they had read the *Tribune* and had come to the conclusion that McKinley knew nothing about tariff Not one out of a hundred of that class of young men is with the principles of a tariff bill from whatever upon It is true there were a few many of them in 1892 One could find them on pleasant evenings about hotels arguing the tariff question One out of ten was out of work of them had taken jobs and now they are as sure as fate bugs But the *Tribune* has not forgotten them and it professes to fear that if McKinley were nominated the young men, having voted the Democratic ticket because they did not like the McKinley tariff could not now vote for McKinley because it would amount to eating crow The *Tribune* overlooks the fact that perhaps they would prefer eating crow to eating nothing But be that as it may the Republicans who were not misled by low tariff arguments are entitled to some consideration in the matter of a choice for president There is no reason why they should eat crow If these millions who compose the party, must [illegible] the young men who could not carry anything in such a manner they have had a result of their ballot then the order of nature will have to be changed

[illegible] the free silver [illegible] the tariff bill is not [illegible] tariff [illegible] tariff [illegible] tariff

LITTA'S MOTHER DEAD.

Mrs. Hugo Von Elsner No More—Expired in Chicago.

Decatur friends have been informed of the death of Mrs. Hugo Von Elsner, mother of the talented vocalist, Litta, which occurred last Friday in Chicago. Mrs. Von Elsner was the idolized member of her family. Her demise was the result of a severe fall that she met with some weeks ago. Her hip bone was fractured by a serious mishap, and coupled with the infirmities of years proved too much for her. She died quietly but surely despite the efforts of the surgeon in her behalf. Everything possible for loving hands to perform was done in the hope that her life would be prolonged, but all to no avail. She was born in Bloomington sixty-five years ago, her maiden name being Amanda Dimmitt. She was the daughter of Wm. Dimmitt, one of the best settlers of McLean county, and was married to Prof. Hugo Von Elsner in 1865. Her husband was of noble German birth and highly educated. He was a civil engineer and also a talented musician. Five children were born to the couple, of whom three survive, Litta, Emma and Byron, all of Chicago. The other two, Marie and Don, better known as Litta, died, the latter at Don, dying on their private Letta July 7, 1884, and Don three years later. Don had served several years in the Navy of Italy. Four brothers and three sisters survive. Two of her sisters reside at Bloomington, Mrs. Jerusha Hudson of East Douglas street, and Mrs. E. Robinson, of Normal. Mrs. Von Elsner resided in Kansas City a number of years. The family resided in Decatur. She was devoted mother and was the acme of kindness. She was adored by all who knew her, and her death will be a severe blow to everyone who claimed her acquaintance. The sad news came to Bloomington today.

IMPORTANT DECISION

Supreme Court Decision on the Matter of Judgments for Delinquent Taxes.

The Supreme Court of the Illinois supreme court report, which has just been issued, contains an interesting opinion on the subject of judgment against property owners for taxes. It decides that after the county treasurer has asked for a judgment on delinquent taxes and the same has been granted by the court, no judgment can be set aside unless a specific reason is shown that the assessment previously served the assessment. In former times, after the court rendered the judgments, it was customary for property owners to come into court and on the creation of some good cause the judgment would be set aside.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Center.

There is a number of deaths passed the mark the P. D. Ed's week.

Henry Cotner sold a part of his personal effects at public auction Tuesday.

Lay & Taylor had a sorghum boiling Saturday.

Lyman Bower has been visiting his uncle of Lockport Saturday night.

The Modern Woodmen will organize in the Monday night. Members should bring sapling to season.

Dr. A. J. Rose will be a professor of dull at the place Saturday evening.

Rev. Dilley is holding a protracted meeting at Prairie Hill, under of St.

A Mr. Kline and family have moved in this township. [illegible]

Mrs. Robert [illegible] is now [illegible]

Lizzie Jennie Johnson is again laid up, a relapse and will probably not be able to walk for a long time.

Joseph Robbins [illegible] old.

[illegible] Decatur [illegible]

We have not heard the result of the teachers examination last week, and second not [illegible]. Of course our [illegible] will be better [illegible] the first four weeks [illegible]

[illegible]

Boone.

[illegible]

The quarterly meeting at Long Mound chapel was well attended.

Chas. Wright and family visited friends at Mt. [illegible]

In spite of the bad roads, the Family Theater company [illegible] must have made money.

The friends of Joe Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Miller, [illegible] at the home of M. L. [illegible] and was well attended by [illegible]

[illegible] will lead their [illegible] on the evening, February 24th, for Storm Lake, Iowa.

Quite a number of our citizens did business in Decatur yesterday.

The lumber for the residence of Prof. Stanley is here, and [illegible] will be pushed up and made ready for occupancy.

The school in District [illegible] is now closed.

[illegible]

Outten.

Chas. Cooper visited Lafayette Friday.

Miss Ida Cooper visited Miss Ida Cooper Saturday.

Miss Dora Cooper visited Miss Jessie Patterson Saturday and Sunday.

J. E. Parris and wife visited W. C. Outten of Decatur Friday.

Miss Dora and Dunlap McReynolds passed through here Friday evening on their way to Bethany.

Quite a number from Mt. Zion attended prayer meeting Friday evening.

Jack Criss attended the Grand Opening of "1127" on Monday evening in Decatur.

Will and Fred Ace in Decatur this week as jurors.

Prayer meeting to be held at the home of Frank Gregory on Friday evening next.

Feb. 17.

Three Brothers Who Raise Corn.

Near Gridley live three brothers, John, Thomas and Henry Andrews—all renters, who last year raised nearly, 50,000 bushels of corn. Mr. John Andrews raised and sold 5,200 bushels, Mr. Henry Andrews 18,1000 bushels, and Mr. Thos. Andrews 18,000. They each pay cash rent and between them have taken in this year, for corn alone, the sum of $10,000.

Death at the Poor Farm.

Saturday Edward Pricer, aged sixty years, died at the poor farm. He came to the farm some years ago from Argenta. He leaves a widow and several children.

ILLINOIS BUSINESS.

Extracts from Superintendent Durfee's Report.

The State Superintendent of Insurance has issued his annual statement, showing the standing of fire and marine insurance companies doing business in Illinois at the close of business December 31, 1895. The business was quite voluminous, and was as follows:

The eight joint stock companies of this state wrote risks amounting to $91,279,195; received premiums amounting to $1,283,847, paid losses amounting to $511,215, losses incurred, $508,893; income, $3,318,580.

The 105 joint stock companies of other states wrote risks amounting to $737,186,321; received premiums amounting $4,814,178; paid losses amounting to $1,173,735; incurred losses amounting to $1,918,168; income, $21,114,360.

The thirty-five foreign companies with United States branches wrote risks amounting to $316,327,103; premiums received amounted to $3,720,845; losses paid amounted to $1,905,221; losses incurred were $2,210,155; income, $19,059,650.

The ten mutual companies of this state wrote risks amounting to $8,236,107; received premiums amounting to $175,019; paid losses amounting to $159,001; incurred losses amounting to $199,026; income, $686,193.

The 20 mutual companies of other states wrote risks amounting to $13,214,771, received premiums amounting to $199,893, losses paid, $137,135, losses incurred, $167,169; income, $2,875,000.

The grand total aggregate shows risks written amounted to $1,105,261,958; premiums received, $12,907,217, losses paid, $6,675,001; losses incurred, $7,501,064, income, $117,008,506, net surplus, $69,150,123.

A. P. A. CIRCLES

A Scandal in Which Three Prominent Officials are Involved.

Dr. Ben P. Reynolds, a prominent official in the American Protective Association of Chicago, has filed a bill for divorce from his wife, Blanche E. E. Reynolds nee Baldwin. In his bill the doctor makes Clarence P. Johnson, of Springfield, state president of the A. P. A., co-respondent. Mrs. Reynolds has for three years been president of the woman's A. P. A. organization of the state. She has filed a cross bill charging her husband with drunkenness, cruelty and failure to support her and their four children, and denies all the allegations contained in Reynolds' declarations. Johnson also denies the charges, and says he will prove his innocence. Reynolds is 65 years old, and his wife is 35. They parted last December, since which time these proceedings are instituted.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 19, 1896.

The Left Hand Bank is indebted to L. Z. Tait & Co., dealers in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis, for the following market quotations:

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
February	—	—	—	—
May	65⅞	66⅝	65⅛	65⅞
July	65	65⅝	64¾	65⅛
Corn—				
February	—	—	—	—
May	29	30	29⅝	30
July	30⅛	31	30⅝	31
Oats—				
February	—	—	—	19½
May	20⅝	21	20⅝	21
July	21	21	20⅞	21
Pork—				
Feb	—	—	—	—
May	10 00	10 02½	9 97½	10 00
Lard—				
May	5 55	5 57½	5 55	5 57½
Ribs—				
May	5 17½	5 22½	5 17½	5 22½

May wheat, puts, 65 ⅛c, calls, 66 ⅛c, curb, 66 ⅛.

30 DAY SHIPPERS—CAR LOTS.

Wheat, 153. Estimated 116. Year ago 7.

Corn—[illegible] Estimated 35, a year ago 144.

Oats 167. Estimated, 211, a year ago, 116.

ESTIMATES FOR TO MORROW.

Wheat, 46. Corn 261 oats, 176.

Hog receipts 33,000, estimated 30,000. Market weak. Light, $3 [illegible] 3 25, mixed, $3 [illegible] 3 40, heavy, $3 [illegible] 3 45, rough [illegible] 3 [illegible]

Estimated for to morrow, 30,000.

Cattle receipts 30,000. Market lower.

LONDON, Eng. in—Off coast, wheat quiet but steady. Corn, quiet. On passage. Wheat dull and [illegible] but steady. English country markets quiet but steady. From the country markets here.

LIVERPOOL, Eng. in. Wheat, spot, quiet, futures quiet. Corn, spot, quiet, futures dull.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19. Stocks opened firm, but [illegible] business and so continued until [illegible] o'clock.

Money [illegible] at [illegible] up to noon.

PEORIA QUOTATIONS.

PEORIA, Feb. 19. Corn, No. 2 [illegible] Oats, No. 2, white [illegible]. Rye, [illegible]

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 19. Wheat, cash No. 2, red, 70c, May 66 ⅛c. Corn cash, 35c, May, [illegible]. Oats, cash 18c, May, [illegible]

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19. Butter, — Eggs —. Wheat, May, 71⅞. Corn, May, [illegible]. Oats, May, 20½.

DECATUR STOCK MARKET.

The following are the trading prices paid by Leverage for stock:

Cows and heifers	2 50 and [illegible]
Steers	[illegible]
Hogs	3 [illegible] 3 50
Calves	[illegible]
Sheep	[illegible]
Export Cattle	[illegible]

POULTRY MARKET.

Corrected daily by Max Ailer & Co.

Hens	8c per lb	Geese	7c per lb
Springs	12c per lb	Ducks	7c per lb
Stags	6c per lb	Eggs	10c per lb
Roosters	3c per lb	Hides	1½c per lb
Turkeys hens	8c per lb		1 to 3c per lb
Toms turkeys	6c per lb	Tallow	2c per lb
Gobblers	6c per lb	Beeswax	20c per lb

Letter List.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed for at the Decatur, Ill., postoffice February 11, 1896. Please say advertised when called for.

GENTS' LIST.

Auld, J. H.	Morgan Wm. H.
Bray, Chas.	Pollard John
Briggs M. E.	Reed, Charlie
Carroll S.	Ritter Harry I.
Davis, L. H.	Smith, F. P.
Hughes, A. M.	Sexton, B.
Darwin Chas.	Smith, Thomas
Greene Edward	Sweet John H.
Howard H. P.	The Rev. F. C.
Kelley T. B.	Van Antwerp D. L.
Leichinger, B. F.	Wales, Geo. Zee L.
Martin Hayes	White, Paul
McCleary F. T.	Yeager, F. M.
Miller, L. F.	

LADIES' LIST.

Adams Annie	Smith, Lizzie
Allen Emily	South H. B.
Collins, Mattie	Still, Nora R.
Davis Louie	Waechner, Kate
Johnston, Maggie	Wilson Sarah
Mayer, May	Woodford, Mrs. W.
Robinson, Ella J.	

FIRMS.

American Automatical Lighting Co.
Frobridge & Rose.

PACKAGES.

Creel, Emma — McNeal, Nellie
Sellers, Lizzie

JERRY DONAHUE, P. M.

Ballard's Snow Liniment.

If you have a terrible pain in the small of the back, get a bottle of Snow Liniment. It will positively cure it and at once. Try it and recommend it to your friends. Sold by J. W. Eichinger and C. F. Shilling.

SULLIVAN FEELING.

People Anxious to Know What Judge Vail will Say and Do.

CLAIM GRANT WAS DEAD WHEN HUNG

Better Class of Citizens Deeply Deplore the Lynching—All Quiet—Waiting for Court.

It is learned on what appears to be good authority that Grant Atterberry, who was lynched at Sullivan, was really about dead when he was strung up to the tree in the court house yard.

Atterberry had made a desperate fight for his life in the county jail when the mob came after him. He fought heroically with the wooden leg of a table but was finally overpowered and dragged out with the rope around his neck. Parties who claim to know say that the back of Atterberry's head was crushed almost to a jelly by repeated blows and that he was really dying as he stood beneath the tree. He was dragged up to strangle and gave no sign of a struggle except to draw up his knees slowly and let them down again.

FEELING OF ANXIETY.

There are many anxious people in and about Sullivan. All are speculating as to what course Judge Vail will pursue when he comes to Sullivan to begin the April term of the circuit court. The grand jury had been selected for the court term before the hanging occurred. It is quite probable that Judge Vail will declare the lynching to be murder, pure and simple, and he will call upon the jury to perform their duty without fear or favor that no guilty man may escape. He will doubtless insist upon the jury making a thorough investigation of the acts and doings of the mob, and if the jury fails to obey it is likely that a special grand jury will be called to act. He did that in the Sam Bush case in Decatur.

The better class of people at Sullivan deeply deplore the lynching. They feel the disgrace that has come upon Sullivan and Moultrie county. They feel that it would have been far better had the law been allowed to take its course.

THE SULLIVAN PAPERS.

All of the Sullivan papers devoted considerable space to stories of the lynching, and all gave good accounts. The Moultrie County *News*, however, gave the best detailed story of the hanging, covering the affair in a connected and graphic manner. It was the only paper which had an interview with Mrs. Roxy Atterberry, who gave the motive for the assault upon her. Editor W. G. Covey covered the affair completely, leaving out the rot and publishing those things which the people wanted to know.

Blue Mound Chat.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. Badenhausen, Feb. 16, a girl, weight 10 pounds.

Rev. E. W. Carr, pastor of the M. E. church began a protracted meeting in his church last Sunday. The meetings will continue probably four or five weeks. Mr. Carr is an able, eloquent and earnest man and it is hoped that that the meeting will result in much good in the community.

Rev. Samuel Parks filled his regular tri monthly appointment at the Christian church yesterday morning and evening, returning to Eureka this morning.

A Christian Endeavor society has been organized at the C. P. church.

Miss Stella Winter, teacher of the Pleasant View school, will give an entertainment at her school on the evening of the 22d inst. The program will be a mixed one, consisting partly in celebrating Washington's birthday anniversary and partly in way of a basket festival, &c. The entertainment will be a good one, the weather permitting.

Mrs. Dr. A. C. Foster gave a select social party at her residence Saturday evening, about twenty invited guests being present.

Literary Notes.

McClure's Magazine for March will contain interesting passages from a speech made by Abraham Lincoln, in the Illinois legislature in January, 1837—undoubtedly the earliest speech of Lincoln's of which any record remains, and one hitherto unnoticed by any of his biographers. It is in his most attractive vein—that mingling of genial candor with perfectly clinching argument for which he afterward became so noted. Along with these passages will be presented some entirely new anecdotes and reminiscences of Lincoln's service in the legislature and of his humble beginning as a lawyer at Springfield. And there will be a full quota of Lincoln pictures; among them four portraits of Lincoln, two of which have never before been published, and a view of his first law office.

Short stories by Kipling and Robert Barr, and poems by Robert Louis Stevenson and Eugene Field, are promised.

If we could trace Dyspepsia to its source, it would lead back to our kitchens. In fact, the secret of good health is good cooking. If well cooked, foods are partially digested; if poorly cooked, they are less digestible than in their raw state. If you are a victim of faulty cooking, that is, if you suffer from Dyspepsia rational cure must be looked for in an artificially digested food, and a food which will at the same time aid the digestion of other foods. Such a preparation virtually rests the tired digestive organs, thereby restoring them to their natural strength.

The Digestive Cordial, as prepared by the Shakers of Mt. Lebanon, is just such a preparation, and a single 10 cent bottle will convince you of its value. If your druggist doesn't keep it, he will be glad to get it through his wholesale house.

Laxol is the best medicine for children. Doctors recommend it in place of Castor Oil.

AN HISTORIC RELIC.

Captain J. H. C. Dill Has the Pen Which General Lee Used at Appomattox.

Bloomington Leader.

Captain J. H. C. Dill, grand secretary of the Masonic Order of Illinois, is a collector of interesting war relics and many of the objects which look like mere trifles have helped make the author's history. Many of these specimens were gathered while he was a soldier in Sherman's army, and a large number have been gathered since the close of that memorable fight. Captain Dill seems to have had the fatality of seeing that the events of that war would in time be matters of momentous history and he provided himself with many souvenirs of the conflict.

Capt. Dill was present in the city of Richmond when the surrender was consummated, and in company with his chaplain he was walking along the streets when they encountered an orderly from the confederate forces who was executing errands from General Lee.

The three soldiers saluted and fell in conversation when Capt. Dill discovered the identity of the man. His name was Frank Brown, the second orderly from General Lee's headquarters. After returning to camp Capt. Dill thought of securing a relic from the surrender and get a trophy from it. When he found the aide he told his mission and was asked to call at the Spotswood hotel and that he would be supplied. When the call was made Orderly Brown showed a pair of epaulets, and other relics among them the pen with which Lee signed the surrender of the Army of Virginia. Capt. Dill preserves the relic and occasionally shows it to a friend. The pen was presented to Capt. Dill with the compliments of the orderly and the relic is a common wood handled steel pen and the wood is black on the end where it was dipped in the ink. This the orderly explained was a habit of Lee's. He continually was twirling the pen in his hand when in conversation and would dip the wrong end in the ink.

When General Gordon was in the city last year Capt. Dill inquired if General Lee had such an orderly and the general not only remembered the name but also stated that he secured the pen on that occasion, so that there is no doubt as to the genuineness of the relic. Mr. Dill has also a piece of glass taken from a window of the church in which Jefferson Davis was when General Lee sent him a telegram concerning the surrender of Richmond.

Mr. Dill has been offered large sums of money for the pen but would not part with it for any price.

SEEKING PROTECTION.

State Millers' Association in Session at the City of Peoria.

The Illinois State Millers' Association began a session at the National Hotel, Peoria, yesterday. The millers are assembled to consider the proposition made by the railroads in the matter of rates on flour and wheat from Minneapolis and other northwestern points to Illinois points. The millers have asked an entirely new grouping of the state with a material advance in rates to every group except one. The roads have agreed to the grouping as suggested by the millers, but do not offer as yet, rates that ensure the proper protection to the flouring industry of the state, which is suffering from the northwestern competition. The millers of Illinois justly complain to the State Board of Railroad Commissioners of the discrimination against them practiced by the roads. Their complaint is held in abeyance awaiting the action of the roads in Chicago today. If the relief asked for is not granted, the millers will in all probability push their complaints now before the board, which meets again on the first Tuesday in March. It is understood that the difference between the views of the millers and the railroads is very slight and it is hoped that the roads will grant what the millers ask and issue their tariff sheets accordingly, thus happily settling a dispute that has been waged for many months. The millers seem to be in the right and the roads should concede their just demands without further civil.

McKinley's Chances in Alabama.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 17.—At Ashville, St. Clair county, the Republicans held their county convention Saturday, and adopted a resolution indorsing William McKinley, of Ohio, for President. William Vaughan, of Birmingham, was indorsed for chairman of the state executive committee. A resolution was also adopted protesting against fusion with the Populists. This is the first county convention to be held by the Republicans in Alabama and is significant inasmuch as it shows that McKinley leaders will fight hard the movement of Reed men to fuse with Populists in the state election. A full county ticket was nominated also. It looks as if McKinley will secure the Alabama delegation to the St. Louis convention in June.

McKinley Club.

MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Feb. 18.—At a meeting of the Mount Vernon Republican Club, held at the court house here the name of the organization was changed to the Mount Vernon McKinley Club and its membership increased to 200. Speeches were made by Gen. C. W. Davey, Norman H. Moss, County Judge R. M. Farthing and others. Gen. Davey, one of the leaders of the anti-Palmer faction, introduced a resolution indorsing the candidacy of McKinley for President and providing for the use of all honorable means to secure his nomination and election and the selection of national delegates from this (the Twentieth) Congressional District who favor the same. This resolution was unanimously adopted by the club.

Novel Method of Booming McKinley.

WICHITA, Kan., Feb. 17.—Syl. Dixon, the grain king of Southern Kansas, is storing corn here for a novel purpose. Four days before the National Republican convention he will start a train of forty cars from here for St. Louis. The train will be elaborately decorated, and in addition to carrying a brass band will carry forty McKinley boomers and orators to represent forty of the corn-growing counties of Central and Western Kansas. At each stop on the road one of the orators is to make a McKinley speech. The train will reach St. Louis on the morning of the convention and will go through the heart of Kansas and Missouri.

Body Found in a Field.

FREEPORT, Ill., Feb. 18.—The body of Orrin Skeel was found in a field three miles east of Lena at noon yesterday by a searching party that had been looking for him for three days. He was 90 years old, and left the house of his daughter on January 22 to visit a neighbor, and no more was seen of him until his remains were found. It is supposed that he lost his way and died from exposure. He was one of the early settlers of the county.

Bargain Sales.

Dry Goods and Millinery.

DRESS GOODS

were 25 to 30c, now	10c
were 40c, now	30c
were 50c, now	40c
were 60c, now	50c
were 75c, now	60c
were $1 00, now	75c
were $1 25, now	98c

Large line of New Goods arriving Every Day. Inspection Solicited.

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Embroidery, 3 in wide, worth 12c, 8½c.
Torchon Lace, 5, 8, 12, 15c for 12 yds.
Needle pointed Pins, 5c.
Hump Hooks and Eyes, 5c a card.
Four Hook Corset Clasp, 5c.
Dress Stays, nine in set, 8c.
10c Garter Web, 5c per yard.
Coat's Spool Cotton, 4c a spool.
100 yd Spool Silk worth 10c, at 6c.
10 yd. Twist only 1c.
Hair Pins 3c a bunch.
Suspenders worth 25c, 15c.
Corsets, very good one, 25c.
Corsets, extra made, 48c.
Towels, 5, 10 and 15c.
Extra heavy Twill Crash, 5c yd.
Bath Towels, 10c.
Ladies' Black Hose, 9c.
Dress Shields, 10c.
24 sheets best Note Paper, 5c.
Hat Pins, 6 for 5c.
Genuine Aluminum Thimbles worth 25c, at 5c.
All Silk Ribbon, 5, 8 and 10c.
Hair Curlers, any size, 5c.
Side Combs, 8 and 10c a pair.
24 sheets Shelf Paper, 5c.
Handkerchiefs, 3, 5 and 8c.

HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS.

Enameled Large Box, 8c.
Rice Root Scrub Brush, 8c.
Towel Roller, 10c.
Granite Wash Basin, 20c.
Granite Dish Pan, 75c.
Jap. Slop Pails, 35c.
Tea Kettles, copper bottom, 38c.
Wash Boilers, copper bottom, 75c.
Coffee Pots, 8, 10 and 15c.
Square Dinner Pails, 25c.
Wash Pans, 5c.

Crockery and Glassware.

Plates, 38c for six.
Cups and Saucers, 38c per set.
Round Vegetable Dishes, 8, 10, 12, 15c.
Extra Heavy Tumblers, 6 for 25c.
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Fruit Dishes, 6 for 20c.

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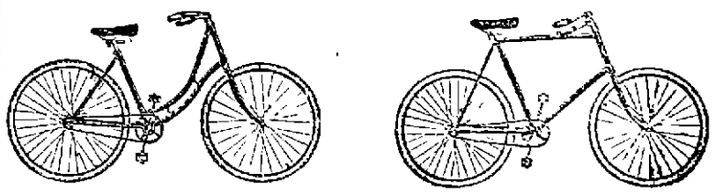

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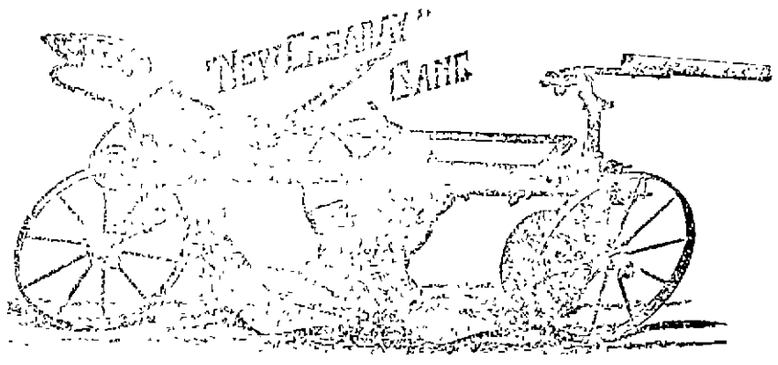

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MOON'S PHASES.

Last quarter, 4th, [illegible] first quarter, 12th, [illegible] 24th

ECLIPSES.

An [illegible] of the [illegible] visible in North America. Partial [illegible] the moon, 27th, invisible in North America.

THE Pennsylvania Democrats will push ex-Gov. Pattison for the Democratic nomination for president.

THE continued reinforcement of the army in Cuba by Spain indicates that she is of the opinion that the Cubans are belligerents.

IT is the same old story. The chairmen of the Republican county committees of Illinois [illegible] stand solidly for McKinley.

IF Gen Pine [illegible] as alive and had three [illegible] and good cavalrymen, what a [illegible] it would be to wipe out a Spanish army corps.

THE great Dick Thompson of Indiana, was born the same year Lincoln was born. Darwin, Tennyson and Gladstone were also born the same year.

WALLER will soon be released but he continues to [illegible] given out by Secretary Olney, [illegible] were sufficient to warrant the sentence imposed upon him.

IT is reported that ex-President Harrison contemplates going to the United States senate. This country won't much prefer to see him [illegible] extra session as Secretary of State.

IN a speech in Chicago Colly Platt said, speaking of the great sentiment in favor of McKinley, that "I met an Indian to-day who said 'there's nobody for McKinley but the people.'"

THE Venezuelan controversy has reached a point where there is no further danger of war. England simply proposes to settle the matter by arbitration as she at first proposed to do.

THE speech delivered in Chicago by Major McKinley in which he told those gentlemen who discovered, as a matter of course, [illegible] that McKinley knew nothing of the subject except the tariff.

[illegible] is reported as saying there is yet much doubt as to who the head of McKinley will lead on the first ballot. There are some people, however, who have not much doubt about it.

We have heard so much about McKinley boom being rammed down our throats in answer to the inquiries of the Chicago *Tribune*, the fact has been developed that the McKinley boom is a spontaneous one started among the people.

The Chicago *Evening Journal* puts it this way: "Amid a perfect uproar of cheering and the wildest enthusiasm that has ever been witnessed at a banquet in Chicago, the McKinley boom burst forth last night upon the world." It will burst out in the tabernacle to-night.

"Let the McKinley boom burst!" is good. The sentiment is [illegible] the people for McKinley is intense, direct emanating to a degree from like that which sometimes possesses an army for its commander, and whenever that feeling has an opportunity to free itself it bursts out like a torrent.

A WASHINGTON correspondent who is employed not to write the truth about the situation, but to [illegible] the prejudice of [illegible], generously conceides McKinley the crown title of Ohio. The fact is McKinley in this campaign has no [illegible] the choice of the people of the United States and the only way he can be [illegible] in the convention is by intrigue. If the people are let alone and their preference is considered, McKinley will be nominated by acclamation.

What About the People?

It is stated in the Chicago Evening *Journal* that the gentlemen who have told McKinley that the Illinois delegation to the National convention will go unpledged, and that at the time the Illinois delegation can give Major McKinley the nomination on the convention he will get it. The idea of the so called leaders [illegible] the people out. The people should take a note of this and see that they elect their own delegates to the National convention and tell them what to do.

Whenever leaders can nominate McKinley, the delegation, which is supposedly to be in the hands of the gentlemen who claim the right to tell it when and how to vote, they will have the delegation vote for McKinley, they say. Here is a lot of them to take all the responsibility away from the people. But [illegible] some of the [illegible] who have started out to do the same with their delegations take the same position, when will the turn come when Illinois will be in a position to nominate McKinley? He will either be nominated without Illinois or Illinois will be in a soulless combination to name somebody else. These declarations are the merest rot, made to fool the people. Let the people take this matter in their own hands and attend to their own business, and then there will be no regrets and no necessity for getting out the kicking machine after it is all over.

The McKinley Club.

Decatur has, the distinction of organizing the largest McKinley Republican club in the state outside of Chicago, and perhaps as large as any club in Chicago. It was simply the mossing of the Republican voters in the city who first favor the nomination of McKinley for president, and second of those who will, after the nomination in the St. Louis convention, join in making the campaign for the nominee, whoever he may be, and the party an interesting and decisive victory for the principles of the party.

The organization of the club by 1500 Republicans whose names have been subscribed in their own hands to the membership list puts beyond any opportunity for dispute or cavil the fact that the Republicans of Decatur are enthusiastically in favor of the nomination of McKinley for president. Not near all the Republicans in Decatur who favor the nomination of McKinley have become members of the club. It has been impossible for all of them who desire to do so to become members. Some are out of the city, others are employed on railroads and so on for a multitude of reasons a great many have not yet become members.

The sentiment in Decatur is practically universal for McKinley. This unanimity of sentiment in favor of one man is greater than it has been for any man since the days of Lincoln. It is a sentiment, too, that is irrepressible. It can not be diverted or dissipated by any plan or by any appeal. The people mean it, and will mean it more enthusiastically as the day of the convention approaches; and in case of the nomination of McKinley, which now seems pretty well assured, the enthusiasm of the campaign will be marvellous and the victory will be decisive, to an extent that for years the man who undertakes to talk tariff for revenue only to the people will be knocked off the platform.

What is true of the sentiment of Decatur people is true in every part of the Union, and the best politics for the party and for the country is that the people do as the Decatur Republicans have done, give expression to their choice and send delegates to the national convention who will represent them instead of deceiving them, and in that case the result of the convention will be satisfactory.

Halstead on Cuba.

Murat Halstead, now in Cuba, writes to the New York *Journal* that it would be a serious error to underrate the power of the Spanish army. The tactics of Gomez have made it necessary for the Spaniards to strengthen their cavalry, and this has accordingly been done.

Below is Mr. Halstead's picturesque putting of the Cuban war situation exactly before the reader's mind:

Make a tropical country of New England, extend it to the length from the Jersey coast to Lake Michigan; call the states provinces, and Boston Havana; add something to the mountains and a great deal to vegetation; give a profusion of mahogany, royal palm and cocoanut trees, oranges, pineapples and bananas, fill in with tobacco and sugar plantations, place this aggregation with the state of Maine to the east and Rhode Island to the west and crosswise to the Atlantic; the capital, of course, in Massachusetts, looking north across the Gulf of Mexico to the vast United States towering on the northwestern horizon, and we have Cuba in proportions, divisions and features.

The insurrections begin in the east end and work westward, starting, according to our New England diagram, in Maine, and flowing through New Hampshire and Vermont. This time, their forces, fleet of foot, passing Boston, have disturbed Connecticut, and made an incursion into Rhode Island. The antagonizing armies are chiefly in this Massachusetts, the situation signifying that hard blows will be struck soon, and Boston has seen the red glare of the fires in the cane fields.

The tendency of the tide of rebellion is just now to recede eastward. The rebels' policy is to keep in the field, avoiding decisive battles by scattering and concentrating according to circumstances and occupying or threatening all the territory possible.

Where Our Garden Seeds Went

Since Major Connolly was elected to congress to represent this district he has been besieged by his constituents to send them garden seeds, as has been the custom for a long time. To these appeals Major Connolly could only reply that he had no seeds at his disposal. In district, for some reason unknown, until a few days since had no garden seeds to give away.

Secretary of agriculture J. Sterling Morton has not been complying with the law in relation to some matters belonging to his office, which gave rise to the introduction of a resolution in the senate which provoked a long discussion. During the discussion Senator Vest reported a list which shows that many members of congress had transferred their allotment of garden seeds to others outside of their districts to the number of 111,157 packages, and in that list it appears that the Hon. William M. Springer transferred the seeds which would now be distributed by Major Connolly to Congressman Cooper, of Texas, 2700 packages, and to Congressman Kem, of Nebraska, 4000 packages, making 6500 packages of garden seeds given away by Springer that belonged properly to this district.

The people will be surprised to know that Springer did such a thing, but he is guilty nevertheless.

It will be remembered that about that time Springer was very much interested in having passed the Indian Territory land bill, which opened a position which he sought and secured, and he may have been trading garden seeds for votes.

BIG DAN STEWART still insists the lights he has arranged will come off. What a wonderful fellow Dan would be to boom a candidate for office. He has the faculty of getting the fellows into the band wagon and constructing the wagon after he loads it. This is a necessary requirement in a fellow who goes after the band wagon crowd.

JUST before going to bed, eat a Cascaret candy cathartic. Makes you feel fine in the morning.

Lincoln On Protection.

In his magnificent address in Chicago Ex-Gov. McKinley quoted from an address drawn by Lincoln on the part of the Whigs in 1843 giving their views on the tariff. We publish it below, and the reader will be surprised to note that what Lincoln said in that day after a Democratic low tariff had left a depleted treasury and prostrated industries, applies just as well to the present condition after a four years' experience with a Democratic administration. Following is what Lincoln said in that address as quoted by McKinley:

The first of our resolutions, said Mr Lincoln, declares a tariff of duties upon foreign importations, producing sufficient revenue for the support of the general government, and so adjusted as to protect American industry, to be indispensably necessary to the prosperity of the American people; and the second declares direct taxation for a national revenue to be improper.

For several years past the revenues of the government have been unequal to its expenditures, and consequently loan after loan, sometimes direct and sometimes indirect in form, has been resorted to. By this means a new national debt has been created, and is still growing on us with a rapidity fearful to contemplate—a rapidity on reasonably to be expected in time of war. This state of things has been produced by a prevailing unwillingness either to increase the tariff or to resort to direct taxation. But the one or the other must come. Coming expenditures must be met, and the present debt must be paid; and money cannot always be borrowed for these objects. The system of loans is but temporary in its nature, and must soon explode. It is a system not only ruinous while it lasts, but one that must soon fail and leave us destitute. As an individual who undertakes to live by borrowing soon finds his original means devoured by interest, and, next, no one left to borrow from, so must it be with the government.

We repeat, then, that a tariff sufficient for revenue, or a direct tax, must soon be resorted to, and, indeed, we believe this alternative is now denied by no one. But which system shall be adopted? Some of our opponents, in theory, admit the propriety of a tariff sufficient for a revenue; but even they will not in practice vote for such a tariff; while others boldly advocate direct taxation. Inasmuch, therefore, as some of them boldly advocate direct taxation, and all the rest—or so nearly all as to make exceptions needless—refuse to adopt the tariff, we think it doing them no injustice to class them all as advocates of direct taxation. Indeed we believe they are only delaying an open avowal of the system, till they can assure themselves that the people will tolerate it. Let us then briefly compare the two systems. The tariff is the cheaper system because the duties, being collected in large parcels at a few commercial points, will require comparatively few officers in their collection; while by the direct tax system the land must be literally covered with assessors and collectors, going forth like swarms of Egyptian locusts, devouring every blade of grass and other green thing.

By this system (the protective) the man who contents himself to live upon the products of his own country pays nothing at all. Surely our country is extensive enough and its products abundant and varied enough to answer all the real wants of its people. In short, by the protective system the burden of revenue falls almost entirely upon the wealthy and luxurious few, while the substantial and laboring many who live at home, and upon home products, go entirely free.

By the direct tax system none can escape. However strictly the citizen may exclude from his premises all foreign luxuries—fine cloths, fine silks, rich wines, golden chains and diamond rings—still, for the possession of his house, his barn and his homespun, he is to be perpetually haunted and harrassed by the tax gatherer. With these views we leave it to be determined whether we or our opponents are the more truly Democratic on the subject.

Bids for Bonds

Speaking of the recent bids for bonds offered by the government which seems to indicate that there is $558,000,000 of gold stored away in this country, the St. Louis *Globe Democrat* says:

In speaking about the loan the day after the offers of gold were opened the *Globe-Democrat* said editorially that "probably not one tenth of the amount bid is in possession of the bidders." That estimate will do to stand. It is entirely safe to say that not more than $50,000,000 of actual gold was in the hands of the persons making the offers. Less than $30,000,000 gold will have to be deposited in the first installment, and the rest of the payments are spread over a period of about four months. Moreover, the $111,000,000 of gold which will be paid in, including the premium, will not all be owned in this country. Part of it will belong to foreign investors. Some of it, too, is being drawn out of the treasury now by bidders by presenting greenbacks or Sherman notes for redemption, and millions of dollars more of it will be taken out before the final payment is made. As an evidence of the amount of idle gold in the country the $558,000,000 of bids are worth nothing; as an evidence of the confidence at home and abroad in the solvency of the government and the financial sanity and honesty of the people they are worth much.

LUCY MAY HOLLINGSWORTH, the young Indianapolis woman, who rushed into the Pearl Bryan murder case with a statement intended to exonerate Jackson and Walling, who cut off the unfortunate girl's head and carried it about in her own satchel, has been released by the police and sent away as a common liar. Her story was volunteered and was to the effect that she was responsible for the girls death. It was on a par with the story told by "Bat" Shea's chum, claiming he instead of Shea murdered Ross.

WHEN the combine, if such a concern is organized, undertakes to deliver the delegates to some one, in the national convention whom the people are not longing to have nominated, the fun will begin, if the people do not give their case away by selecting unreliable men as delegates.

H. L. GREGORY, of Gibson, has purchased the Cottage hotel at Chatsworth and assumed control.

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WAS HE AT THE POLE?

The Nansen Story Is Generally Believed in the Old World.

Gen. Greeley and Lieutenant Schentz, of Washington, Credence and Express Doubt as to the Genuineness of the Information.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—The British Consul at Archangel, the capital of the Russian government of that name, telegraphs a confirmation of the report that Dr Nansen is safe and is returning from the north pole.

The news created an intense interest in this city. The report received from Irkoutsk, Siberia, was generally discredited at first, but dispatches given above are regarded as conclusively showing that Nansen at least is homeward bound. Later advices say that the news of Nansen's safety were sent by local Russian officials in the Yakutsh region. Dr. Nordenskiold, who is in Christiana, is inclined to believe the news of Nansen's safety, will, at any rate, prove true even if he did not succeed in discovering the pole. Arctic experts here think that when the Fram left the Kara sea in 1893 it may have found a sea northward free of ice, and pushed on until locked in. It may then have been allowed to drift until the expedition came to land around the pole, and Nansen and party may have returned in sledges to the New Siberian Islands.

It is believed Nansen may have been stopped by broken ice at the Siberian islands.

Gen Greeley pointed out the important lack of detail about the last dispatch not noted in the first. Their absence even does not hint of where Nansen was or how he was communicated with. Archangel is a large Russian town with good connections with the outside world, and he saw no reason why full details are not obtainable.

As They View It at Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 15.—The report from Arcangel in regard to Dr. Nansen is not considered to really amount to a confirmation of former reports. In the opinion of Gen. Greeley and Lieut. Schentz, the latter acquainted with the North Siberian port, says "The confirmation of the Irkoutsk story from Arcangel is as if we had a telegram from Portland, Me., confirming a story from Sandy Hook." General Greeley holds that it is inconceivable how the same story should emanate from two places so remote from each other.

THREE WORKMEN KILLED

And Three Fatally Injured by an Explosion in a Sawmill.

WINSTON, N. C., Feb. 15.—A fatal boiler explosion occurred Thursday evening at J. R. Plummer's sawmill, ten miles southwest of Ashboro. Three workmen were killed and three fatally wounded.

Counterfeiters on Trial.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 15.—The trial of Wm. E. Brockway, M. V. Wagner and Abbie L. Smith, for making and issuing counterfeit money, was begun yesterday morning before Judge Green, in the United States court in this city. No witnesses were examined, and, after drawing for a jury and opening addresses for the government, the trial was adjourned until next Monday morning.

Settled the Disagreement.

LIGONIER, Ind., Feb. 15.—George Palmer, of Wakarusa, disagreed with his wife as to whether a gun which was lying on a cupboard was loaded. Mrs. Palmer declared that it was not, and in attempting to take it down the gun was discharged and instantly killed Palmer, tearing his head from his body.

A Bill for a Commission to Investigate Labor Troubles.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The house committee on labor yesterday ordered a favorable report on the bill of Mr. Phillips, of Pennsylvania, providing for the appointment of a nonpartisan commission to investigate the cause of labor troubles and to report their finding to the house.

John Russell Young Seriously Ill.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 14.—John Russell Young, ex-minister to China, who is seriously ill at his home here with quinsy and nervous prostration showed no improvement to-day. He has become delirious.

THE city council of Peoria has issued an order prohibiting the fire department from going to fires outside the city limits, except on a written order from the mayor. North Peoria and other suburbs are thinking of coming into the city to secure the fire protection.

BY the accidental discharge of a gun Charles Barnes, a lad of Springfield, aged 9, got 150 shot in his face. The chances are against his recovery. His windpipe is injured and it may be that several shot have penetrated the brain.

One reason why women are so generally troubled with some derangement of the distinctly feminine organism is that as girls they learn nothing about their own physical make up. Parents are waking up to the importance of education of this kind, and young women are becoming more and more able to take care of their health.

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Billie M. Parris

Rogers, Benton Co., Ark.

Combinations vs. the People.

It has heretofore been thought legitimate for the rank and file of the Republican voters to have a choice among candidates who are brought forward for the nomination for the presidency. There was once in the history of the party a wonderful sentiment twice for Lincoln, afterwards twice for Grant, then for Blaine, and in 1892 for Harrison. That sentiment was deferred to the case of Lincoln and Grant, but was overriden in the case of Blaine in 1876 by a combination of politicians. That experience, in what is called "practical politics" now, but at that time "boss rule," was a very bad thing for the party and made millions of Republicans luke warm, and although the party had, four years before, by a crushing majority, won a great victory, the result of the election in 1876 was a draw and was finally settled by an electoral commission.

The people are practically unanimous for McKinley now and yet we hear day after day of combinations of politicians who propose to disregard public sentiment and nominate someone else regardless of the prevailing sentiment for McKinley among the people. This is called practical politics. It may be practical so far as forcing a nomination agreed upon by a combine is concerned, but it is not practical politics when the important matter of keeping a party vigorous, enthusiastic and strong is taken into account. The human family does not seem well organized for that kind of politics. It has never given any exhibition of delight over being ignored by those in power, and it may be put down as an established fact that this so-called practical politics is a practical method of taking the spirit and energy out of a party. A party run in the interest of an oligarchy of that kind will soon begin to lose battles. There is no excuse, there can be no good reason why the people should not be deferred to by those who represent them in national conventions, when the people have expressed a choice, which they always do when any great principle is involved as there is in the coming campaign.

Two Lives Saved

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors that she had Consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles Dr King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 139 Florida St. San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching Consumption, tried without result everything else, then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottles at King & Hubbard's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and $1.00. em

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JAMES W TURNER Executor.

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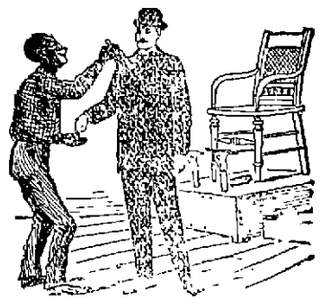

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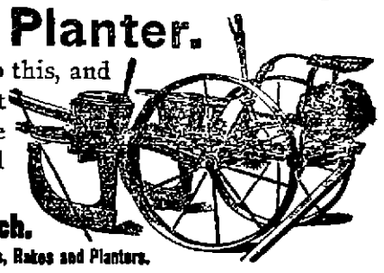

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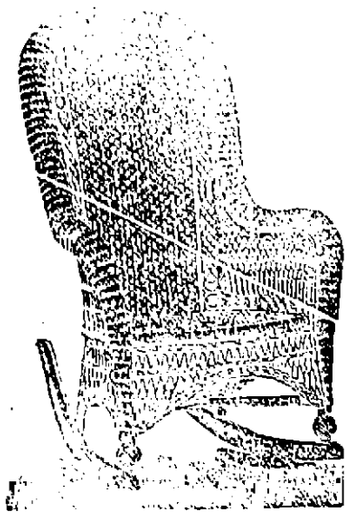

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MASONIC HOME ECHOES.

All the Bids Laid Before the Board at Peoria.

It has been stated in these columns that the members of the executive committee in locating the Order of the Eastern Star Home for widows and orphans gave the prize to Peoria.

Peoria was thought to have by far the best offer before the committee. Her splendid offer was a site of five acres of ground free, provided a $15,000 building is erected thereon, and $5,000 cash has been subscribed to be donated in case the Home was located in Peoria, to be used toward the building. Inasmuch as it has been the purpose of the association from the start to erect buildings to cost from $15,000 to $18,000, this offer was away above what was asked and seemed to be most acceptable. The Peoria committee met Sunday afternoon and prepared their proposition, but later it was increased by the addition of a goodly sum. Theodore J. Miller gave the ground with the provision mentioned, and the agreement was submitted in writing. It is five acres of what is known as the O. S. Kelly property, east of the Seiberling factory and the Prospect Heights hotel property. It is a beautiful site on the Bluff for such an institution, and Mr. Miller says it is worth $10,000.

The other bids submitted to the committee were as follows:

Vienna—Five acres of land and $1,700 cash.

Macon—Twenty-nine acres of ground and house costing $6,500.

Aurora—Five acres of ground and $1,000.

Sullivan—A farm of 250 acres at death of the Mason's widow.

Avon—Five acres and $1,000.

Peoria—Five acres and $5,000.

Lewistown—A site and an old school house valued at $25,000, for $2,000.

WAR IN THE CAMP.

C. S. Cairns, Formerly of Decatur, Leading a Protest Movement.

There is serious trouble in Minnesota over the proposed nomination of Hon. D. M. Clough as the Republican candidate for governor. There is a hot protest against Clough's selection, and the movement has started in Minneapolis, with Attorney C. S. Cairns, formerly of Decatur, as one of the leaders. A committee of 100 leading Republicans of Minneapolis county has been selected to fight the battle to the bitter end. The Minneapolis *Journal* says:

There has not been a great deal of discussion in regard to the chairmanship of the committee, although there was quite a general feeling that Charles S. Cairns was the man for the place. This feeling was made manifest in the vote, for Mr. Cairns was chosen practically without opposition. James McMullen, the energetic gentleman who did most of the work in getting up the committee of 100, and whose enthusiasm in the anti-Clough movement was shown by his preliminary work in this direction, was chosen secretary of the large committee. The committee then proceeded with the election of a treasurer, and Senator J. T. Wyman was honored. There was a common feeling that the committee had made an excellent start. The three executive officers of the committee are regarded as men of good judgment.

WILL LEAVE FOR IOWA.

Exodus of Farmers Fixed for February 26—Fifteen Families to Go With Fleming.

Every year there is an exodus of farmers from this part of the country. Geo. A. Fleming has organized a party of farmers who will leave on February 26 for Storm Lake, Iowa. The party is composed of about fifteen families who live in the neighborhood of Decatur, Cerro Gordo and Boody. They have disposed of their Macon county farms and have either bought or rented land in Iowa. The farmers think there is more profit farming in a new country and for that reason are leaving Macon county. If they rent farms in this part of the country where the land is valuable they have to pay a high price and consequently the profits are smaller than where a cheap rent will secure as good land. It is the same with the farmers who own their places. They sell their farms here for $50 an acre and buy a much larger place in Iowa with the money, and they claim they can raise as much grain per acre on the cheap land as on the more expensive property.

WHAT'S the matter with you? Constipated? Cascarets will cure. Eat them like candy.

Will Cost $30,000.

W. Foley, of Lincoln, and J. W. Johnson, of Kansas City, Mo., are talking of building a $30,000 opera house in Champaign.

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The reader of this paper may be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address,

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MISS KATE CAREY, who was about the winter of 1893-4, a teacher of kindergarten in Champaign, has organized the first school of that description in the old historic town of Alexander, Va.

Old People.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whisky or other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alterative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding Nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents per bottle at King & Metz's drug store.

THE M'KINLEY CLUB.

Decatur Republicans in Line for The Protective Champion.

THERE ARE NEARLY 1500 MEMBERS.

Rousing Meeting at the Tabernacle—Major Badenhausen Elected President, W. N. Andrews Secretary—Addresses by Hon. W. G. Cochran and W. F. Calhoun—Another Meeting Planned—Hon. Wm. E. Mason to Speak.

Fully one thousand Republican voters of Decatur assembled at the tabernacle Friday night for the purpose of perfecting the organization of the McKinley Republican Club. During the past few days papers had been circulated in various parts of the city to obtain the names of all who favored the support of the champion of protection, Major William McKinley, of Ohio, for the presidential nomination, and over 1200 signatures were secured. The tabernacle was nearly filled, and old-time enthusiasm was manifested. It was a good fellowship gathering and all seemed glad of the early opportunity afforded to get in line for the campaign of 1896. It was apparent that all were hungry to vote, and that nothing would give them more pleasure than to cast their votes for McKinley, because he has stood up for and best represents the ideas and wishes of the American people on all that is correct for America, for American institutions, for American industries, for American prosperity and good government.

The meeting was called to order at 8 o'clock, when Major J. G. Badenhausen was called to the chair. The major stated the object of the gathering and said that over 1,200 Republicans had signed petitions calling the voters together to organize a McKinley club. He added that he believed that in a few days the list would reach 2,000.

W. F. Calhoun stated that the plan of organization had not been thought out by anybody, but he would suggest that there be elected a presidedt, a vice-president for each voting district in Decatur township, a secretary, a treasurer, an executive committee of three members, and a finance committee of three members. The suggestion was adopted by the meeting. Those officers were then elected:

President—Major J. G. Badenhausen.
Secretary—W. N. Andrews.
Treasurer—D. A. Mallit.

The election of the vice-presidents will be held in the various voting districts, the meetings to be held at times and places to be designated by President Badenhausen, the chairman of each district meeting to report the name of the vice-president selected to the club officers.

By vote of the club the president was empowered to select the members of the executive and finance committees and make the announcements through the newspapers.

For the office of secretary W. F. Calhoun, C. N. Twadell and Alex McIntosh were nominated, but all declined because they would not have time to attend to the duties properly if elected, and then Mr. Andrews was chosen.

Because of the absence of any definite plan of action there was a little confusion over the best manner of choosing the vice presidents, which was finally straightened out by the order of proceeding noted above. Alex McIntosh, C. H. Patterson, Harry Moore, Geo. R. Steele, C. N. Wall, J. M. Clokey, W. H. Black and J. C. Lake had suggestions to offer. The organization having been completed the club was now ready to hear addresses, and there were calls for "Cochran!" "Cochran!"

Mr. Cochran's Speech.

The chairman, Major Badenhausen, introduced the speaker of the evening, Hon. W. G. Cochran, speaker of the House of Representatives, amid hearty applause. Mr. Cochran spoke substantially as follows:

"If we could elect Wm. McKinley president of the United States as easily as we elect the president of this meeting it wouldn't be a hard thing to do. And I think that this is the kind of a crowd that could do it. If McKinley does not receive the nomination we will support the man who does and I have no fears that the Republican party will nominate a man who is not soundly Republican and who would do better than any Democrat who might be chosen. I think that our Democratic friends are coming to the same conclusion.

"Every citizen should be a politician, not in the sense the word is sometimes used, but to the extent that he investigates thoroughly every man who runs for office and attends the primaries and conventions. We all have a right to declare ourselves to be in favor of any candidate. I believe protection to be the foundation stone of the prosperity of the country in which we live. It is equally as important as the Monroe Doctrine. It stands as the incentive to progress and as the throbbing heart sending the blood through the veins of the nation. It brings prosperity and a nation with an empty treasury like a person with an empty stomach, is not very healthy. Ex-Governor McKinley has in mind great principles of protection coupled with reciprocity, that will bring prosperity to our people. That we are in favor of McKinley does not mean that we are in favor of the readoption of the McKinley bill. Provisions in that bill which may have been for the interests of the country at that time may not be best this time. But with McKinley as president and with a Republican house and senate, a bill will be made with, to use Oglesby's expression, "legs long enough to reach the floor." It will stand alone. It is not the intention to get up any fights among our own party as to who shall be the candidate. The friends of Mr. Reed, who is a great man, and the friends of the sire of Iowa, Mr. Allison, have a right to declare themselves and in all honorable ways assist in securing their nomination. It is a good thing for the leaders of the party to stay close to the people, and it is a wise leader who finds which way the people want to go and then lead them that way; but it is a hard thing to lead them the way they don't want to go. My judgment is that the large number of Illinois Republicans are for McKinley. I think that the indications that he is favored are not misleading. Whether it be the knight of Illinois of Ohio, the sage of Maine, or the sire of Iowa, I think that Macon county, the Forty-first senatorial district, and Illinois, for that matter, will favor that Republican who is for protection, sound money, and the Monroe doctrine.

"It is not my business to go about speaking for any one man for office. I am entitled to my own choice. I am not taking any part in the selection of the state officers. Of course if the good people of my district want me to sacrifice another winter in office I will be perfectly willing to make the sacrifice. But I want to say that you made no mistake when you selected your senator last year. I had confidence in him and found that he could always be relied upon. There is one thing that the Republicans must demand, and that is that the candidate for president be from the central or western states.

"We are beginning the fight pretty early, but it will slack up in the hot months and the fight will begin in earnest in September. The Democrats admit that they cannot make much of a fight, but they will muster up something. I want to give Grover Cleveland credit for the stand he took in regard to the Monroe doctrine. I believe in giving credit to any man who deserves it and I want to credit Cleveland for his action in this case. But the Monroe doctrine does not interest me as much as some things that come nearer home to me and my family. I want money put in the treasury so I will not have to buy government bonds every few days. In the past two years since the Democrats have taken charge, the country has become $250,000,000 in debt. Some say that this state of affairs started when Harrison was president. Perhaps this is so, but if there had been no Wilson bill and the Democrats had not had charge, instead of having to pay out gold it would have been coming in to us. I want to live by the principle best for the people. I have always been a Republican and I like the name but if the party should depart from its great principles and turn to free trade idols and free silver fountains I would not stay with it because of the name. You have a man in this town who is a candidate for secretary of state. If you do your duty he will be nominated and if nominated he will be elected.

"What we want is protection and the best thing that we can do is to put at the head of our national ticket a name which is a household word in all the country, William McKinley."

Remarks by W. F. Calhoun.

W. F. Calhoun was called upon to address the audience. He spoke of the large number of names that had been secured as members of the McKinley club. He told of one man who was ill in bed, and feared he would not live to vote for McKinley; he asked to have the paper sent to him that he might sign it. "It means something," said the speaker, "when a man who thinks he is dying wants to sign this paper. There is a sentiment in the Republican party now that has not been so strong since the days of Lincoln. There are times in the civil life, the same as in military life, when the hearts of the people seem to go out to one great leader, and such now seems to be the case with McKinley. His name is attached to a bill which embodies great principles of protection, and it is our duty to return to that system." In conclusion the speaker said if things go on as they are now, that McKinley will receive the unanimous vote of the convention.

The club then adjourned. It was stated that another meeting will be held at the tabernacle within two weeks, which will be addressed by Hon. W. E. Mason, of Chicago.

MINUTE REFLECTIONS.

A woman working in a factory at Coloma, Mich., for 75 cents a day, last week fell heir to a fortune of $62,000 through the death of an uncle in Germany.

Mrs. John Peyton, of Orange, Va., will attain her hundredth birthday next month. She has a son 80 years old, who is station agent on the railroad at a place near her home. He was appointed agent 43 years ago.

The important question, "Shall Woman Propose?" has been decided. The Bachelor Girls' club of Paw Paw, Mich., debated it last week, and unanimously decided that she shall.

Strawberries are ripe and being picked for shipment in Hillsborough, Fla. The first crate of this season's strawberries left that place three or four days ago. The berries are in excellent condition, and the prospect is good for a large crop.

What is believed to be the largest cargo of live stock ever shipped from this country was being taken aboard the Dominion liner Scotsman, at Portland, Maine, last Thursday, destined for Liverpool. It consisted of 1500 head of cattle and 1000 sheep.

Two poultry keepers in Bronson, Mich., kept tally last year on the number of eggs laid by a certain number of hens. One man had 320 hens, which laid 32,782 eggs during the year. The other got 24,827 eggs from 270 hens. The total was nearly a carload of eggs

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LINCOLN.

Sons of Veterans Observe the Emancipator's Birthday.

EXERCISES AT GRAND ARMY HALL.

Patriotic Address by Rev. R. G. Hobbs and Selections by E. A. Gastman, R. P. Lytle and Mrs. J. G. Badenhausen.

From Thursday's Daily.

The exercises given last evening at the G. A. R. hall by the members of the Sons of Veterans and Ladies Aid society were largely attended. It was a celebration of Lincoln's birthday and the Post hall was appropriately decorated with flags, bunting and portraits of Lincoln. An extensive program was carried out. Major J. G. Badenhausen acted as master of ceremonies. After an opening prayer and the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner," Rev. R. G. Hobbs made a stirring and patriotic address on Lincoln. He said in part:

Abraham Lincoln was the greatest man in national history. The combined beauty of the sea and land does not equal the beauty of his character. The greatest thing in the universe is the man, and he towers like the lofty mountain above the world, this man whose memory we honor to-day. The story of his life should be oft repeated to young Americans; it is an old story but a grand one. The home of his birth was a cabin in the wilderness with mother earth for a floor, but there is one item in the home—his mother, a woman of good character and intelligence. Lincoln says: "What I am my mother made me." The mother gives the moral bent to the child. The simplicity of this man impresses me. Emerson says the home of all great men is unpretentious and simple. He was loved for his simplicity. It takes a great man to be that kind of a man. Lincoln never had the big head, his head was too big at first. He loved the people, he was a part of the people, he was anxious to please them and always heard their voice. He was never afraid of lowering his dignity. The greatest act of his life was the liberation of the slaves. He accepted facts as he found them, adapted himself to circumstances and all emergencies. His soul was stirred with indignation when he saw slaves sold from the block, but he struck a very hard blow when he signed the emancipation proclamation. When he struck the shackles from four million slaves it made music in heaven. There is more good character reading in his life for our young men than in all other lives. There is an inspiration in his manliness. Lincoln was wholly without personal and self ambition. He was advised not to say a great many things for fear of destroying his political possibilities. To these he paid no attention, and what admirable recklessness he displayed in breaking up political chains. What a lesson for our politicians of to-day. He would not for political success be a party to it is so unique and different. It towers like a giant among pigmies. There is none to fill his niche in the temple of fame. His virtues will shine to the end of time and his memory is enshrined in the hearts of the people to abide forever.

Mrs. K. Harwood sang, "Farewell Father, Guardian Friend," and Mrs. J. G. Badenhausen read Emerson's essay on Abraham Lincoln. George Dunston gave the song, "The Old Guard." E. A. Gastman recited Lincoln's favorite poem, "Oh Why Should the Spirit of Mortal be Proud," and Capt. R. P. Lytle read Lincoln's speech at Gettysburg. The program closed with the singing of "America," after which the members of the Ladies' Aid society served refreshments.

FAITHFUL HERDER.

A Dog That Kept a Flock Together for Two Years.

A dog in New Mexico, returning one evening with his sheep to the fold, discovered that his master was still in his shanty and kept very quiet, says the Christian at Work. The next evening it was the same. But after penning up the sheep the dog smelled about the door, scratched, barked, and even howled, as he was getting very hungry. But his master did not move. The dog, true to his appointed duty, went out with the sheep on the third day, but that night when he drove the flock into their pen, the last one to attempt to get in became the victim of the dog's appetite. This method of providing for his own wants became a part of the faithful dog's daily duty. Every evening the last sheep to try to enter the fold was seized by him and served for supper, and breakfast, and dinner the following day. The ranch to which the dog belonged was in a solitary part of the territory, and out of the track of travel or visitation.

For two years from the time of the master's death, as ascertained by data left by the latter, the faithful dog attended the flock committed to his charge, and had fresh mutton for his supper every night. The flock was not decimated by this steady drain upon its resources. On the contrary, it increased in numbers, and when, at the end of two years from the time of the death of the proprietor, the ranch was visited and the remains of the owner were found, the dog was still at his post of duty, jealously guarding his flock and driving them to the best pastures every day and to the fold at night, before which he slept to keep the wild sheep-caters of the plains at a safe distance.

Cigarette Smoking Prohibited.

The city authorities of Eureka have passed an ordinance forbidding the smoking of cigarettes on the public streets. Neither are any allowed to be sold. A young college student was recently fined $5 for indulging in a cigarette in public and he paid it, too. A Peoria traveling man last week pulled a cigarette out of his socket but had no sooner lighted it than he was arrested and made to walk up to the captain's office and settle.

THE Reformed church of Havana has extended a call to Rev. Geo. W. Scarlet, of New York, which has been accepted.

NINE persons were baptized in the creek near Mansfield this week by the pastor of the Dunkard church.

REV. MR. STATTS, of Almont, N.Y., is a candidate for the pulpit of the Reformed church of Pekin.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

Two Small Boys in a Theft Scheme at Blaine's Drug Store.

Two small boys were nabbed last night at Blaine's drug store on North Water street in what appeared to be a planned attempt to tap the store till. The boys were a bootblack named Deppo, and a lad known as Tommy Jones, neither ten years of age. Marshal Mason had dropped into the store a short time before the boys entered to have a chat with his old comrade and friend. Mason and Blaine were seated at the rear behind the prescription case when the boys came in. Blaine went forward to see what the boys wanted, Mason remaining in his chair. The Deppo boy wanted a box of blacking. He got it and paid for it, and then went toward the door several counter lengths distant as if to go out, but when near the soda fountain he called to Mr. Blaine to loan him a knife with which to open the box. Blaine went to the front but the Jones boy remained at the rear, disappearing from view. A moment later Blaine happened to look to the rear and he discovered the Jones boy in the act of pulling out the money drawer for the purpose of robbery. At the same moment the boy discovered that he was caught and he made a break for the front door; but Blaine was too quick for both boys. He reached the door first, and held it closed while he called loudly for Marshal Mason to come to his aid. The marshal's presence which was unknown to the boys completely paralyzed them, and they begged and cried, while protesting any criminal intent, the Jones boy declaring that he would never do it again. Both boys were searched. They had no money and no article of value except a box of pens and a lot of tickets to a church entertainment. The Deppo boy had his blacking box with him, and said he was going to the ball at the armory to polish shoes.

The marshal gave the boys a lecture and let them go on their promise to report at police headquarters at five o'clock this evening.

COUNTY COURT CASES.

Judge Hammer Sends the Barn Burning Boys to the State Reform School.

In the county court last evening several local offenders were before Judge Hammer.

Harry Scott, who stole a pair of shoes from the rack in front of Powers' shoe store, confessed his guilt, and was sent to jail for six months, and sentenced to pay a fine of $5 and costs. Scott stated that he was a machinist and that his home is at Newark, N. J.

William Weldon, who got money on property upon which he gave mortgages, and then sold the property, pleaded guilty to obtaining money by false pretense. He was fined $5 and costs and sent to jail for ten months.

George Bell, Ovid Johnson, Will Cooney and Eddie Brown, the last four boys arrested for setting fire to barns and committing other depredations, were permitted to plead guilty to petit larceny, the charges of burglary and arson being withdrawn. The Brown lad got one year at the State Reform School, Bell and Cooney 2½ years each, and the Johnson boy two years. The parents of the boys have done all they could in their behalf, and they have been advised and threatened by the judge in vain. They were bad boys all the time, and their incarceration it is hoped will do them good in the end, while it will certainly rid the community of four dangerous boys.

Sales of Real Estate.

M. Eichinger to L. E. Coover, north half of southeast quarter and south half of southwest quarter of the northeast quarter, and [illegible] quarter of northeast quarter and [illegible] half of northeast quarter of section [illegible] northwest quarter [illegible] 16, 3 east—$20,160.

A. T. Sumpter to Sarah E. Kazan, [illegible] 2, block 2, Hammond's addition—$[illegible].

W. C. Miller to Anna E. Murphy, lot [illegible] Woodland Heights—$160.

F. W. Lessing to John F. Keister, [illegible] and the undivided two-[illegible] of south half lot 22, block 4, Walker's addition to Maroa—$100.

[illegible] Danforth et al. to A. G. [illegible], land in sections 5, 6, and 8, [illegible] east—$100.

[illegible] M. Abrams to S. R. Wilson, [illegible] half lot 1, block 2, Ball's second addition to Blue Mound—$400.

James J. Finn to Minnie Painter, mortgage deed to land in 20, 18, 3 east—$[illegible].

A. T. Summers to R. J. Simpson, lots 1 and 4, block 2, Riverside Place—$1,300.

Charles M. Tandy to R. L. Blankenship, two acres in 8, 16, 1 east—$100.

D. H. [illegible] to James R. Johnson, 31 acres in [illegible] 15, 1 east—$1,000.

Russell J. Wiley to Samuel Swirehart, lots 1 and 15, block 9, East Park Boulevard—$1,500.

Charles M. [illegible] to W. Z. Walmsley, lot 18, block 1, Wood's second addition—$500.

H. A. Wood to A. F. Smith, lots 4, 6 and 9, in block 14 of Wood's subdivision—$2,500.

As a result of Evangelist Rowland's work in Clinton thirty members were added to the Presbyterian church.

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TERRIBLE DISASTER.

Sixty Men Caught by an Awful Mine Explosion

AND NOT ONE SUPPOSED TO BE ALIVE.

American Foremen and Operators, as Well as Italian Miners, Among the Victims of the Explosion—Terrible Force of the Upheaval

NEW CASTLE, Col., Feb 18.—The Vulcan coal mine, [illegible] in the hollow back just [illegible] this town were completely wrecked and set on fire by a terrific explosion shortly after 11 o'clock today and it is believed that all the workmen in the mine were instantly killed. About fifty men including foremen and coal operators were in the several rooms along the slope when the explosion occurred and so great was the concussion that not a single man could have survived the shock, the gas or the fire which immediately ensued.

With the exception of a few bosses the killed are Italians but in the confusion and excitement of the day, it has been impossible at this time to secure a complete roster of names of the unfortunates.

The town of New Castle was shaken as if by an earthquake by the explosion and a dense black cloud observing this to of the Vulcan mine and work improved certainly too plainly what had occurred. The entire population rushed to the scene to behold the surface workmen in the vicinity of a thick cloud of dust trying in vain to start the work of rescue among the unfortunate fellow laborers within.

The earth had settled perceptibly about the hillside and the dense mass of black smoke coming from the crevices in the upheaved mass gave evidence that the coal veins had merely been set afire by the explosion.

Women and children ran in shrieking and crowding to the scene adding to the confusion.

The mines owned by the Colorado Fuel and Iron Co., two and a half miles away were promptly closed down and all hands hastened to assist Supt. Herrick of the Vulcan in the work of rescue, but it was quickly seen that little could be done. Herrick with several men had run away the broken timbers near the hatchway and had reached into the slope soon after the explosion had occurred with wet sponges on their mouths only to be driven back by the deadly fumes.

A special train was sent to the mine by the Colorado Midland Railway Co. with medical assistants prepared to care for wounded if any were rescued but the sun went down behind the mountains before any progress could be made.

The force of the explosion may be imagined when it is known that the buildings and trestle at the mouth of the slope were completely wrecked. A hole 100 feet square was carved out of the hillside at the mouth of the mine, while timbers two square feet were blown into the Grand River 100 feet away.

One man was on his way down the slope when the explosion occurred and has mangled remains were subsequently found several hundred feet away from the mouth of the slope. There were 110 men employed in and about the mine and but forty were at work underground at the morning.

The old Vulcan mine was abandoned several years ago on account of fire and the present Vulcan mine which has been open only about two years will probably meet a similar fate.

State Mine Inspector Graham was here on February 8 and pronounced the mine in better condition than it had ever been before. A vein of fan in the top which was about ten hundred feet in depth seemed to afford complete ventilation and every possible precaution was taken to prevent an explosion of the gas lest it exist in the mines of this district. It is believed that a blast fired ignited the gas in one of the new rooms while the men were blasting down coal. The old Vulcan mine was in no way connected with the present property, a new slope having been driven into the hillside.

The Vulcan Coal Co. operates the property, which is owned by the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad Co. with headquarters at Topeka, Kan.

Just at the time the mine was being worked to its full capacity, the output being from 17 to 30 cars per day.

The entire slope is filled with debris and it is now plainly evident that many days must elapse before the bodies of the entombed miners can be reached. Since the last fall the smoke seems to have perceptibly diminished and it may be that the fire will not dry the mine as was feared earlier in the day, but the force of the explosion was sufficient in itself to destroy the mine, and new workings will have to be started.

In the horrors of the day it has been impossible to obtain anything like accurate information from the panic stricken families as to the names of the miners.

The latest estimate place the number of men in the mine at sixty or more and not one escaped death. The names of the company men were only known to the pit boss James Harrison who so lately lies with his dead comrades in the bottom of the ill fated mine and can only be ascertained by their survivors of the bodies.

The Minority Report on the Dupont Case

WASHINGTON, Feb 19.—The minority report on the Dupont case was laid before the senate yesterday in reply by Mr. Turpie (dem., Ind.). It is signed by the four democratic members of the committee. They deny the legality of the election of May 9, 1895, under which Henry A. Dupont claims to have been elected to the United States senate, the contest now running, the position of Mr. Dupont was not elected by the vote of a caucus.

McKinley Club

PAXTON, Feb 18.—The Paxton McKinley club has 200 members and will soon contain the name of every Republican and many Democratic voters in that place. There is no further use of denying that Illinois will make up instructed for the St. Louis convention of a majority of McKinley followers.

Greenspan's School House

GREENSPAN, Ill., Feb 18.—The public school building at this place was destroyed by fire today. The alarm of fire was given about half an hour before time for the school to begin but by the presence of mind of the teachers no panic occurred. The loss is $7,000 with $4,000 insurance.

SEXTUPLE'S TIRE EXPLODES

Six Wheelmen Injured in California by a Peculiar Accident.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb 19.—At the Coronado track yesterday the tire of a sextuple exploded, causing seven wheelmen to receive injuries. The accident occurred during the trial of a racing team for the world's record in the mile and the half mile flying start. Wells, the San Francisco wonder, was paced by the sextuple, with Stone, Terrill, Washburne, Schmidt, Vaughn and Swanbrough up. A warming up mile was made and then away they went for the "go" against time. Wells keeping within three feet of the rear wheel of the big machine and the others putting all their mettle into the combined effort to leave him. When near the three quarters pole, and going at a fast gait, a report was heard and in a second or so nothing could be seen of the wheelmen or the riders, all having gone down in a terrible jumble behind the leader, who brought up the only one, his wheel completely hurled. His left ankle was broken.

The others were bruised about the limbs and body, except Wells who escaped with a scratch or bruise.

Carlisle Declines to Interfere

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb 19.—The reply of Secretary Carlisle to the Democratic members of the legislature who asked him to urge the five recalcitrant Democrats to support Blackburn has been received. The secretary declines to accede to their requests on the ground that the five gentlemen referred to are acting as representatives of a party and are familiar with the whole situation and the circumstances connected with it, and I am bound to assume that they are more competent than I to determine what their duty to the party and their constituents is and how that duty shall be discharged. The secretary says any interference on his part would be presumptuous, as there is no reason to suppose he could influence their convictions. In conclusion he says he will always cheerfully cooperate in all efforts to contribute his friends in supporting the Democratic organization in Kentucky and in maintaining sound Democratic principles and policies as declared by the constitutional authorities of the party state and national.

Two Mothers Shot Their Girls

LITTLE ROCK, Ind., Feb 19.—President Elder of Wood of the Mt. Ida district was to have fulfilled an appointment at Quarterly Conference at the Centennial church yesterday but owing to the illness of his wife who is prostrated by the trouble in which her son, Will Wood, is involved, he could not come. There is no hope for Mrs. Wood's recovery.

Next door, at Greenwood, Mrs. Jackson, mother of Scott Jackson, lies at the point of death. There is a report that Evangelist Elder Wood will soon retire from the ministry at least until he has recovered from the effect of the recent trouble of his son, who is now held at Cincinnati under $5,000 bond. The Rev. Mr. Wood who stands at the head of his profession and has an enviable reputation feels the disgrace keenly.

Harrison Refuses to be a Delegate

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb 18.—The effort of Republican politicians to induce Mr. Harrison to go as a delegate at large to the Republican National convention at St. Louis has been met with a decided refusal by the ex-President. The friends of Senator Allison are particularly anxious to have him on the floor of the convention to second the nomination of the favorite son of the Hawkeye state, whom he is understood to favor. It is intimated, however, that his refusal to serve as a delegate is based chiefly on the fear that his action might be construed into solicitude for himself rather than for Allison.

Accidentally Shot

ATKINSON, Ill., Feb 19.—Jim Mitchell, colored gambler, was shot and killed by John Price, his friend and associate in the engine room of the Blanchour mill at 10 o'clock this morning. Price surrendered to the authorities after the shooting which he claimed was accidental. Willis Johnson, the night watchman, contradicts his statements. It seems that the men had been drinking and joking and that the revolver was discharged as Price was taking it from his pocket. A coroner's jury today found that the shooting was accidental.

A Danville Policeman in Trouble

DANVILLE, Ill., Feb 19.—Policeman Stokes and G. W. Leslie, candidate for alderman, were arrested Saturday for extortion. To-day Policemen Stokes and Moore were arrested on another charge of blackmail. It is charged that they extorted $100 in property out of Horace Haworth and Bert Lutes, of Georgetown, in order to secure their release against arrest for selling a room from Kuykendall's livery table. Moore, it is alleged, got about $[illegible] and a $10 note, upon which he tried for collection.

Mothers Message Fails in Death

AURORA, Ill., Feb 19.—Mrs. Josephine Wilson of 19 Winthrop Place, Chicago, was struck last evening by a Chicago, Burlington & Quincy passenger train at the Lincoln Street crossing. She was thrown thirty-five feet and instantly killed. Mrs. Wilson came to Aurora to use her influence in behalf of her son who is under indictment for embezzlement and was at the Kane county jail when the news came to her.

Because His Father Whipped Him

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Feb 19.—The 9 year old son of Fleming Marshall, a miner near Linton, in Greene county, committed suicide. The boy bought arsenic saying that his father wanted him to kill rats. It is said the boy had been whipped by his father, who used a leather strap for the purpose, and it was while suffering from the punishment that he committed the deed.

Murdered and Cut to Pieces.

LAWRENCE, Kan., Feb 19.—J. J. Lamborn, a wealthy farmer, was found murdered in his house near Tall Leaf this morning. The murderers literally chopped him to pieces. The crime was evidently committed for the purpose of robbery. There is no clue to the murderers.

Name the Millionaire Shot

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb 19.—W. H. Williams, of Pennsylvania, the millionaire who was drummed out of camp at Homestead during the strike of 1892, was fatally shot in a quarrel here this morning. He proved disloyal to the state while on duty during the strike.

Maher will be Ready Friday

EL PASO, Tex., Feb 19.—The condition of Maher's eyes this morning is improved. He will be compelled to wear goggles for a day or two but it is reported from his training quarters that he will be in condition to enter the ring Friday.

Earthquake in Cuba

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Feb 18.—An earthquake preceded by alarming subterranean rumblings was experienced here this morning. The inhabitants are terror stricken.

No Result in Kentucky

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb 19.—The joint ballot for United States senator today was without result.

IOWA LEGISLATURE

Bills to Protect Game, Also to Prevent the Sale of Cigarettes

DES MOINES, Iowa, Feb 19.—In the senate today petitions were received asking for the establishment of a manufacturing department in the state fair. Bills introduced by Grist, requiring that a majority of the incorporators of companies be resident citizens of the state, by Hipwell, authorizing the sale of lands left dry by the subsidence of lakes and ponds in the state, by Brown prohibiting the shooting of prairie chickens, quails and pheasants until September 1898.

In the house bills were introduced by Vanhouten regulating the storage and charge on baggage. By Miller defining the rights of wheelmen. By Morrison substitute for the anti cigarette bill allowing selling by wholesale and giving $1,000 license for retail dealers. The bills passed allowing a two mill tax levy for library purposes, allowing cities to purchase lands for sewer outlets and for increasing the support fund for the boys reform school. Adjourned.

WIDOWS AND ORPHANS SORROW

They Stand All Night Long at the Vulcan Mine Waiting Action of Rescuers

NEW CASTLE, Colo., Feb 19.—All night long a throng of weeping women and children stood about the mouth of the Vulcan mine while bands of rescuers were working earnestly in the hope of being able to reach the sixty or seventy entombed miners all of whom it is conceded must now be dead. Rescuers could not penetrate the shaft further than two hundred feet on account of gas and black damp. Fresh air pumped in place during the night it is expected will supply fresh air to enable the rescuers to penetrate to the point where the bodies are.

At noon when the work of rescue was temporarily suspended four dead miners had been brought out.

The most reliable figures place the number of bodies still in the mine at 47.

MAY FIGHT IN THE GULF

Report That Mitchell and Fitzsimmons will Fight on a Barge Before a Kinetoscope

GALVESTON, Tex., Feb 19.—It is rumored here that Mitchell and Fitzsimmons will leave tonight and arrive in Galveston on Friday afternoon to go three or four miles out into the gulf to fight on a barge for the championship before a kinetoscope and a few witnesses. It is said the kinetoscope people are willing to pay the purse and all expenses and Stuart, despairing of a crowd at El Paso, is willing to do anything to get out of the deal.

The Danville Murder

DANVILLE, Ill., Feb 18.—John Johnson has confessed that John Schrad struck the fatal blow which killed Gus Kluge Saturday night.

He says he and Will Cavanaugh were playing cards when Schrad and Kluge entered. A conspiracy was hatched to rob Kluge, and in carrying it out Schrad killed the victim.

(Johnson is a colored man. He is the same party who over a year ago escaped from the county jail at Clinton, and was subsequently caught at St. Louis. He is one of the toughest characters known to the officers of the law. It is probable that he will swing for the Danville murder.)

Lillington County for McKinley

LITTLETON, Ill., February 19.—The court house was full to overflowing yesterday at the county Republican Central Committee meeting. The committee was reorganized by electing R. F. Lewis, of Lillington, chairman, and C. L. Mulvey, of Altamont, secretary. Resolutions were introduced indorsing Benson Wood for Congress, Gen. H. Clark for Governor, Wm. McKinley for President, W. J. Mason for United States Senator, Thomas B. Needles for Auditor.

Illinois Naval Militia.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., February 19.—Adjt. Gen. Hilton has confirmed the election of the following officers of the Third Division 2d Battalion Illinois Naval Militia recently established at Alton: Colonel Williamson to be Lieutenant Colonel, Edward V. Greenman, to be Lieutenant junior grade, Baker Ash, to be Ensign and Harold H. Hewitt to be Ensign.

Republican Naval Leagues

CHICAGO, Feb 19.—The next convention of the Republican National League will be held in Milwaukee August 26 and 27. A ballot was taken last month by correspondence on this subject and Milwaukee was found out by an overwhelming vote. The executive committee today formally ratified the selection.

Republican Joint Caucus

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb 19.—A call was issued for a joint caucus of Republicans of the house and senate to meet tonight to select members of the new congressional committee. The question of secretary on the legislative program may also be touched.

Twin Brothers Kill Each Other

BIG STONE GAP, Va., Feb 19.—At Hilter court house today Milford and Felix Lee, twin brothers, while drunk fought and John Lee attempted to separate them and was shot and fell probably mortally wounded. Milford and Felix then faced simultaneously both falling dead.

Lives Lost by Fire

LISBON, Feb 19.—A great loss of life attended a fire in a building last night in which the Artist club's masked ball was in progress. Thirty-four bodies have so far been recovered. Many were injured by jumping from windows.

Hendricks Says Grover Will Speak

NEW YORK, Feb 19.—E. C. Benedict, the President's intimate friend, is quoted in an interview as saying that Cleveland will answer the third term question very distinctly at no distant day. He will not keep Democrats waiting.

South Dakota Republican Convention

GRAND FORKS, S. D., Feb 18.—The Republican state central committee today called the state convention to send delegates to the national convention to meet at Largo April 16th.

Groom 68 Bride 17.

JOLIET, Ill., Feb 19.—Harrison Burdick, aged 68 years, and Miss Hanna Hintz aged 17 years, were married today. The groom is a wealthy resident of Plainfield, and the bride is also of that town.

Philadelphia Election

PHILADELPHIA, Feb 19.—The complete returns on the head of the ticket voted for yesterday gives the Republicans a plurality of 82,333 against 61,319 a year ago.

Three Mexicans Burned to Death.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Feb 19.—Three Mexicans camped in Hockley county, while asleep, last night, their camp fire set the prairie on fire and they burned to death.

King of Corea in Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb 19.—The young king of Corea has arrived here to seek the protection of Russia for his country. The visit is being kept a profound secret.

AN AWFUL DISASTER.

Burning of a Factory Building at Troy, N. Y.

UNKNOWN NUMBER OF PERSONS KILLED

Some by Suffocation and Cremation in the Building, and Some by Throwing Themselves from Fifth Story Windows to the Ground

Scenes of Wild Panic in the Doomed Factory and Heartrending Agony Among Anxious Relatives in the Streets.

TROY, N. Y., Feb 18.—There is mourning in the homes of the Troy collar girls tonight. An untimely and fearful death overtook many of them late this afternoon. Working girls whose days labor was almost over were cut down almost without warning by fire. Three girls jumped to their death from a burning building. Distracted agonized mothers wailed for the return of their daughters to night and they wailed in vain.

Bright pretty collar girls who had left their homes in the morning full of life and health and spirit, never lived to tell that tale of agony, torture and death. Their poor charred bodies are now resting under tons and tons of red hot embers, stone and brick. Identity even when found will probably be impossible.

The scene was one that Troians will never forget. It is a black page in the city's history unparalleled in its century of existence.

The fire started in J. Stetheimer & Co.'s shirt waist factory and Van Zandt & Jacobs collar factory situated in the same building at 5:00 o'clock. There were 300 girls at work in the establishment.

The flames spread so rapidly that the narrow stairway which was the only exit outside of the fire escapes in the rear was almost cut off and during the panic that followed five employes jumped from the windows, three of them to their death and many others were injured.

It is believed by everybody, even the inspectors and employes in the shop, that about twenty girls were overcome before they reached the street, and were burned up in the building. People who were familiar with the interior of the building, and knew how limited were the means of escape, place the total loss at at least thirty.

The scene of the catastrophe was at the corner of Broadway and River street, a portion of the city characterized for its immense buildings. The structure is known as the Burdette building, is six stories in height and was occupied by J. Stetheimer & Co., whose factory was situated on the fifth floor. Van Zandt & Jacobs manufacturers of collars and cuffs, who occupied the three floors below and a restaurant and saloon on the ground floor. There were also several other minor enterprises carried on in the building.

The fire which ended so disastrously started in the fifth story in the part occupied by Stetheimer & Co. About 5:30 o'clock this afternoon a little boy attempted to light the gas in what is known as the cutting department. This is the shirt waist cutting department. He climbed on the cutting table and lighted the gas. Then he threw the match which was still burning to the floor and it ignited a pile of scraps and lumber. In an instant there was a terrible blaze of fire and in a few minutes the room was filled with smoke.

Miss Lillie Kroger, a girl, realizing the importance of the period at this crisis, shut her own life rushed through the different departments of the building and warned the employes of the danger. No sooner but the bravery of a volunteer fire party saved her from death.

When the employes in the fifth story realized that the fire was beyond control, and was likely to prove disastrous, a scene of great panic immediately ensued.

The girls ran hither and thither about the room, some of them found their way down the stairway, others succumbed to the dense smoke and sank to the floor and some jumped from the dizzy height of the river street windows to the pavement below.

About half of the girls who were employed on the top floor fled to the fire escape and found their way to the ground in safety.

For 20 minutes after the fire started the scene was the most exciting ever witnessed in Troy.

During this time there was a continuous panic and in the rush for a place of safety many were injured. The crush on the stairway was something frightful. About two hundred men and girls attempted to make their escape by this exit at the same time. Many were trampled underfoot, the ones who were in front were knocked from their feet and thrown on the landing and some are said to have been left unconscious on the stairway.

The majority of the employes finally reached the street but they were so overcome with excitement that it was impossible to learn from them how many of them had been left in the building. Quite a number found their way out by means of the fire escapes. The scene was a most exciting one. The girls fairly threw themselves down the ladders to reach the ground quickly, and the firemen had their hands full in carrying the girls down the ladders from the terminus of the escape.

Probably the most heartrending scenes were those witnessed on the streets. The mothers and other relatives of the girls who were at work in the factory soon learned of the disaster and hurried to the scene. They gathered around the burning building, distracted with grief and fear, making inquiries for the loved ones. Some of them attempted to rush up into the burning building and the officers and bystanders found it difficult to restrain them. A number of women were soon on their knees on the ice covered pavements, crying piteously to Heaven for assistance.

The spread of the flames was remarkable. There was a strong wind blowing at the time and in less time than it takes to tell it, the building was afire from top to bottom. Twenty streams of water seemed to have no effect and there was every indication, early in the evening that the entire block would be consumed.

The fire extended into the big structure north, gutted it and the Western Union also. It was not until four hours after the fire started that it was under control. The loss will reach $400,000. The women who were killed by jumping from the windows were almost unrecognizable when picked up, so fearfully were their heads crushed.

While the fire was raging in the Kenmore restaurant, Thomas Rosso, an Italian fruit vendor who kept a stand in front of the place and who was inside had a narrow escape from death. One of the [illegible] fell on him, and he was imprisoned in the ruins with fire on every side. Officers Burke, Watson, Guy and James Quinn went to his aid. More of the south wall fell in and the policemen were each badly bruised and cut. Officer Burke was so badly injured that he was taken to his home. The others returned to duty. Young Quinn was struck on the chest by falling timbers and quite seriously injured. The Italian was rescued later and taken to the hospital. The firemen who were injured were caught under falling walls.

Superintendent of Police Willard made a careful investigation this evening and reported shortly after midnight that it is almost certain that 12 girls were burned up in the building. He believes that there are many more who never escaped alive.

TROY, N. Y., Feb 19.—Several hundred girls today are still pouring water on the smoking ruins of the Burnett building destroyed last night with such destruction of life and property. It is a victim in death as well as in possible to reach the lifeless bodies for some days. No [illegible] in addition to those given last night have been reported.

TROY, N. Y., Feb 19.—[illegible] dead [illegible] Mrs. Margaret Carroll, Mrs. Thomas Doyle, Missy Mrs. [illegible] and Mrs. Addie Bridt. Two which bodies are reported to be burned and could not be identified. It is now certain that no bodies contain women.

A Serious Rumor in London

LONDON, Feb 19.—There are serious rumors that Great Britain has lost nearly Dogger Bank.

B. C. Rose of Lincoln Recently Bought Land in Iowa for which he Paid $6,180

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ATTORNEY AT LAW
OFFICE—Over [illegible] Store [illegible]

Nominated in South Dakota

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb 18.—Right in the face of the unprecedented activity of ex-Senator Manderson for the presidency Republicans from all over the state gathered here last night to give further impetus to the Mckinley boom started a month ago. If there was no direct effort to boost the President there was at least an entire absence of any reference to him as a candidate for office.

Senator Thurston who made the principal address declared that the tariff would be a leading issue in the coming campaign and that no man so ably represented the public mind on that question as the Ohio ex-governor. Other addresses were along the same line.

The meeting which was well attended was called by the Republican central committee who at a meeting last Friday instructed with attempting to impede the committee to declare in favor of Mckinley.

Ex-Governor Thayer who presided was practically pelted in his speech. In closing he declared that the McKinley movement in Nebraska has already reached dimensions that the bosses could side track it and no power to stop its progress.

While the meeting was called primarily for the organization of a McKinley club, no direct action was taken. It is understood however that the plan to form clubs in every county in the state will be actively pushed from now on.

[illegible] Monopolies

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb 19.—The following announcement made at the treasury today: J. P. Dugan & Co. with associates under their bid for $50,000,000 of United States bonds comprising 112 members, proposed to deliver to the treasury receipts entitled to receive and deliver the bonds to the amount of about $[illegible],000,000 in addition to those of which they have already notified. In view of the uncertainty of the results from the various subscriptions is fully verified.

Corporation Burned

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Feb 19.—The Dakota Falls in Dakota, the home of Senator Pettigrew, was burned last night. The town has been the home of Dakotas of Minnesota for Allison. He has been for Allison. Hastings, Allison friend that Minnesota would be for McKinley and put Dakota in the field to keep the state from the Ohio man. This being accomplished Pettigrew will go only work for Allison.

Four Killed by Steam Roller

SAN JOSE, Mexico, Feb 19.—Four men were killed and seven seriously injured by a steam roller at Mekiwe, Sunbright camp today. The steam pipe high in boiler and the engine became uncontrollable and ran down a hill at full speed catching the men before they could escape from it.

FARMERS' COLUMN.

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Sales

[illegible]

James-Cowell [illegible]

Money [illegible]

[illegible]

LOANS Of All kinds Made by PEGRAM & CO.,

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DR. H. P. BACEMAN, DENTIST.

WARDA ILL

M. D. POLLOCK, M. D.

[illegible]

DR. ARTHUR D. KYNER, Resident Dentist,

LELE MOON [illegible]

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S. J. Bumstead, M. D.

Diseases of Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat

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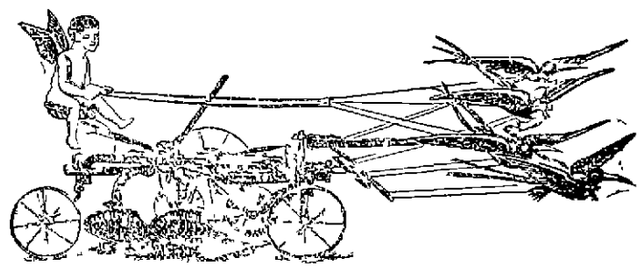

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Women's Drawers—New showing of Loie Fuller and umbrella shapes. Extra wide drawers in cambric, nainsook and muslin prettily trimmed with lace and Irish point embroidery, ranging in price from 25c to $1.50.

Women's Corset Covers of fine cambric and nainsook, trimmed with lace and embroidery, new shapes and perfect fitting, ranging in price from 25c to $2.25.

Children's Drawers of fine muslin, sizes from 1 to 14 years, prices 10 to 20c.

Children's Night Dresses, sizes from 2 to 14, prices, 35 to 50c.

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